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## Israel asked not to retaliate against Syria as superpowers meet

Jerusalem Post Staff  
TEL AVIV. — Prime Minister Shamir confirmed yesterday that Israel had been asked not to retaliate during this week's U.S.-Soviet summit for the Palestinian hang-glider raid in northern Israel last month.

He said Israel would take its own decision on when and how to respond to the attack, in which six Israeli soldiers were killed.

"There are some requests of this character you've mentioned," Shamir said in reply to a reporter's query while attending a rally in support of Soviet Jewish emigration in Tel Aviv.

"I cannot call it pressure. But we have explained to everybody that we will act according to our decisions," he said.

Shamir did not say which countries had urged Israel to show restraint.

In Washington, a State Department official said that the U.S. has asked Israel to refrain from retaliating.

The Soviets issued a warning through the Romanian ambassador in Tel Aviv, who said that Moscow would not tolerate an attack on Syria.

the Beirut newspaper *an-Nahar* reported yesterday.

U.S. diplomats have also asked Syria to use its influence with Ahmed Jibril's PFLP-GC, which took responsibility for the attack, to prevent similar actions by the group, the officials said.

"We've asked both sides to exercise restraint," said one official.

In Jerusalem, a government official said yesterday: "Israel's position is that when it decides whether or not to act, it does so from its own security and military considerations, not from pressure or appeals."

The requests to both sides were made last week in the wake of concern expressed by Jordan's King Hussein that Israel was planning a retaliatory strike, said the official.

The summit between President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev was also a factor, he added.

"The summit was a consideration, although by no means a major one. After all, it will be over in three days," the official said.

Hussein was concerned that an Israeli attack would undermine the progress achieved last month at an

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British Prime Minister Thatcher chats with visiting Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev after their brief meeting yesterday at RAF Brize Norton, England. (Reuters)

## Soviet chief: 'May God help us' High hopes for more arms cuts greet Gorbachev in U.S.

By WOLF BLITZER  
in Washington  
and DAVID HOROVITZ  
in London

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev landed last night in Washington to sign an historic treaty on intermediate-range nuclear forces with President Ronald Reagan, an event that could herald even more sweeping arms cuts in the future.

Calling for a new U.S.-Soviet dialogue Gorbachev said in the flush of his greeting ceremony presided over by Secretary of State George Shultz: "May God help us." He invoked the blessing in a smiling exchange with Shultz who led the red carpet greeting by top U.S. and Soviet officials. The secretary of state told the Soviet leader: "That was a good start."

The Soviet leader said he was ready to "complete work and to sign the treaty on the elimination of intermediate and shorter range missiles... This is what all of the people, all of the nations, all of the world have been looking to us to do."

But even before Gorbachev set foot on U.S. soil, the emphasis of the summit was shifting away from the INF pact they will sign this evening to the prospect of another treaty with 50 per cent cuts in strategic nuclear arsenals.

Gorbachev, the first Kremlin chief to visit the U.S. in 14 years, headed into the three-day summit amid drum-tight security, soaring public curiosity and a fluttering of official hints this meeting would

pave the way for another summit.

"We expect our visit ... to help us to move forward on the road of restructuring international relations through better and deeper cooperation and mutual understanding," Gorbachev said as he left Britain en route to Washington after brief

Washington had succeeded in making its point.

But Gorbachev himself will be kept nearly completely isolated from any protesters during his visit. All of his meetings have been carefully prepared to keep him away from the public.

Gorbachev and his entourage will be staying at the Soviet Embassy in downtown Washington.

The roughly 20-mile route from Andrews Air Force Base in suburban Maryland was carefully examined by U.S. Secret Service agents who even sealed all manholes along the way. The U.S. agents worked very closely in recent weeks with a large advance team of officials from the KGB.

Several major streets near the embassy have been blocked off to traffic and pedestrians by the police for the duration of Gorbachev's stay. Despite the serious issues involved in the summit, there is an almost festive atmosphere in Washington.

Shortly after his arrival in Washington, Gorbachev and Secretary of State George Shultz — joined by their wives — were meeting for tea at the Soviet Embassy.

The formal ceremonies begin this morning at the White House where the Soviet leader will be welcomed with full military honours. He and Reagan will deliver speeches on the White House lawn. From there, they will go into the Oval Office for the first of five scheduled meetings.

Gorbachev is due to leave Washington Thursday evening, following a news conference at the Soviet Embassy. The two men will sign their intermediate range nuclear forces treaty early in the afternoon at a White House ceremony.

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## Congress urged to drop steps to help Israel refinance debt

By WOLF BLITZER  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — U.S. Treasury Secretary James Baker has urged Congress to drop proposed legislation which would enable Israel to refinance about half of its existing \$11 billion U.S. debt.

Baker, in a letter to Democratic Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawaii and Republican Senator Bob Kasten of Wisconsin, expressed his deep concern that the proposed legislation would increase the federal budget deficit and set a dangerous precedent for other foreign countries heavily indebted to the U.S.

"I hope you will consider our concerns," he wrote.

Inouye and Kasten, the chairman and ranking minority member of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, respectively, have been the main sponsors of a legislative effort to allow Israel to refinance its existing high-interest loans from the U.S.

Israel could wind up saving hundreds of millions of dollars in interest repayments to the U.S. if the legislation goes into effect.

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## Peres says 'Israel missed opportunity' at summit

By ASHER WALLFISH  
Post Knesset Correspondent

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres yesterday pledged that, between the present superpower summit and the next summit in the spring, he would renew his campaign for an international conference to bring Israel and Jordan together.

Speaking to the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, Peres said: "For Israel, this summit was a missed opportunity, and I do not know whether the superpowers will devote any attention to our problems at all. They will be cementing an agreement affecting the whole

world, while the Middle East will remain the sole area where no progress is being made."

He added that the trend towards moderation in the Arab world was still in evidence; but if he failed to win the government over to the international conference during the next 11 months, the issue would be put to the electorate in November.

He said: "Israeli leaders go to Washington to warn the administration to keep the Soviets out of the Middle East, while the administration is busy letting the Soviets get involved in political issues of crucial significance."

### Foreign Minister Peres:

## 'Demilitarize Gaza Strip and remove settlements'

By ASHER WALLFISH  
and BRADLEY BURSTON

Alignment leader Shimon Peres yesterday criticized the policy of establishing Jewish settlements in the Gaza Strip. At a meeting with the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, Peres said that the strip should be demilitarized, under Israeli supervision, in return for the dismantling of the existing Jewish settlements.

But his aides quickly explained outside that Peres was making this suggestion as part of a package to present in eventual peace negotiations, and did not see it as an immediate or unilateral Israeli initiative.

Peres asked rhetorically: "What do a few settlements in the strip give us? What logic, ethics or historic wisdom are reflected in the shooting of a schoolgirl? Are another 300 square kilometres better for Israel's security balance than another 600,000 Arabs?"

Turning to Rafael Eitan (Tzomet), Peres asked whether he was under the impression that the Gaza Strip was underpopulated. "Very soon there'll be one million Arabs in the strip. Where will you settle them? In the Negev?"

In a related development, the Likud faction executive decided yesterday to invite Defence Minister Rabin to the next executive meeting to discuss complaints that the IDF is losing its effectiveness against terror and subversion in the territories.

In Gaza, meanwhile, tensions remained high as security forces

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Newly elected chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, Simcha Dinitz (right), receives the congratulations of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and outgoing Jewish Agency Treasurer, Akiva Levinsky (centre) yesterday, at a reception for the Australian delegation to the World Zionist Congress (Isaac Harari)

## Labour sweeps Dinitz in as new WZO chairman

By CHARLES HOFFMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Labour coalition steamroller that elected Simcha Dinitz chairman of the World Zionist Organization yesterday, will probably cede the No. 2 spot of treasurer to the Likud. But the Likud candidate, Settlement Department head Mattityahu Droblies, faces certain opposition from Diaspora fund-raisers.

Other Herut candidates for treasurer mentioned last night were MK Haim Kaufman and former finance minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad.

The Labour coalition delivered 310 votes for Dinitz, while the Likud bloc pulled in 220 for Science Minister Gideon Parit. The Labour coalition

tion at the Zionist Congress includes the Confederation of United Zionists (Hadassah), the Reform Zionist organization Arzteim, and the Conservative Zionist organization Mercaz.

Dinitz said that he was "very moved" by the heavy responsibility that he was called on to fulfil, and in a gesture of unity promised that he would act as the "chairman of all members of the Zionist movement." Dinitz is expected to resign his Knesset seat, which will be taken by former MK and Jerusalem Labour activist Ya'acov Gil.

The Likud spokesman last night expressed the hope that Labour

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## No charges against four involved with Albin

By MENACHEM SHALEV  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Attorney-General Yosef Harish decided yesterday not to press charges against Likud MKs Micha Reiser and Gideon Gadot and two Israeli Television reporters who had been suspected of illicit financial dealings and bribe-taking in connection with an investment firm run by the late financier Michael Albin.

In his decision Harish details the substantial sums received by the four from the investment firm Nesua run by Albin, who was considered a financial wizard prior to the stock market collapse of 1983 and who fell to his death during a police investigation in April 1985.

Harish notes that since Albin

could not be investigated or put on the witness stand, there were grave doubts whether the prosecution would be able to establish beyond a reasonable doubt that the suspects had indeed committed criminal offences. Lacking Albin's testimony, there was no way of establishing the purpose of the funds given to the suspects, Harish said.

Reiser, Harish notes, received \$34,000 and NIS 50,000 in stocks and options during 1982 from Nesua and related companies. But, Harish notes, one could not negate the version that these funds, plus a rented car which was put at Reiser's disposal for a period of two years, had been given to the MK as a result of

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FRANKFURT	-2	28	43	Cloudy			
GENEVA	-3	27	40	Cloudy			
HELSINKI	-8	16	32	Clear			
HONG KONG	8	46	59	Clear			
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LONDON	4	39	63	Cloudy			
MADRID	7	49	72	Rain			
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	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min-Max	Max
Jerusalem	90	7-13	14
Golan	80	7-13	14
Nahariya	58	12-18	19
Safed	77	6-10	12
Haifa Port	71	11-19	20
Tiberias	70	10-18	20
Nazareth	75	9-15	16
Afula	75	8-19	20
Shimon	72	9-15	15
Tel Aviv	72	11-18	20
B-G Airport	72	9-16	18
Jericho	56	10-21	22
Gaza	53	12-20	20
Beersheba	53	9-18	20
Elat	29	9-22	23

## Arab leaders warned on using gas

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Post Defence Reporter

**RAMAT GAN.** — Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin yesterday warned Arab rulers that they and their nations face terrible retribution if they dare to attack Israel with gas.

Ballistic missiles equipped with chemical warheads could hit Israel, but, Rabin indicated, intelligence is expected to provide a sufficient warning to allow for counter-measures.

Answering pupils' questions at the Blich High School here, he said that Iraq, Syria and a third Arab country are capable of launching gas attacks. He declined to name the third country.

"Let every Arab state know that a deviation from the Geneva Convention banning the use of chemical warfare will bring upon it a terrible calamity and a seven-fold blow," he declared.

An Arab leader who contemplates a gas attack had better know that "the attack he and his nation will suffer will be far more severe than he can imagine," the minister continued.

Iraq has used gas against Iranian troops, and Syria is reportedly developing a chemical warfare for its missiles.

Israel is researching development of an anti-tactical ballistic missile. The project, connected with the U.S. Strategic Defence Initiative, may lead to production of a missile capable of intercepting enemy missiles fired from a distance of 500 to 1,000 kilometres.

In the meantime, the IDF has prepared itself to deal with gas attacks and the civilian population is "basically prepared" for defence against chemicals. Gas masks are available for the entire population, he said, and civil defence units have been trained for such an eventuality.

## Patrol run off road, shoots Palestinian

**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
Soldiers shot and wounded a Palestinian motorist in the West Bank village of Dahariya last night after he ran them off the road, military sources said.

The sources said the incident occurred as a patrol was walking along the main road in Dahariya, south of Hebron. A speeding van forced the soldiers to jump to the side of the road, and it continued moving despite the soldiers' attempts to stop it, the sources said.

The driver stopped after shots were fired at the vehicle.

## 17 hurt on roads

Seventeen people were injured in three road accidents yesterday. Eleven were hurt when a semi-trailer hit a minibus in Ashdod in the afternoon.

Two men were hurt when the cars they were driving collided on the outskirts of the village of Miltya, east of Nahariya, after midnight Sunday.

Four passengers were injured yesterday morning when two buses collided in the Kiryat Eliezer section of Haifa. (Itm)

## PLA militiaman killed

**SIDON (AFP).** — A militiaman with the Popular Liberation Army was killed and another was wounded yesterday in fierce clashes with the South Lebanese Army, the PLA reported.

## HOME AND FOREIGN NEWS

### Envoy hopes embassy will return to J'lem

"Israel is my second country," says outgoing Guatemalan ambassador to Israel, Ramiro Gereda Asturias, the doyen of the diplomatic corps. He has been ambassador to Israel a total of 11 years, having served between 1974 and 1977 and, again, since 1979.

"I hope the embassy will return to Jerusalem," he says. With a measure of pride, he notes that Guatemala was the first country to set up an embassy in Jerusalem, in the early 1950s, and was the last to leave, in 1960.

**IN PERSON**  
BENNY MORRIS

May 1981. The instruction from Guatemala City to move the embassy arrived in September, 1980. Gereda "waited and waited," complaining and asking for reconsideration ("We are in West not East Jerusalem...") - but to no avail. Since then, Gereda has repeatedly asked his government to review the decision. He did so again a few weeks ago.

He and his Chinese wife, Connie, have grown used to "cosmopolitan" Tel Aviv. "But we miss Jerusalem. Jerusalem has a mystic quality."



Ramiro Gereda Asturias (Israel Sun)

In his 30 years in the Guatemalan diplomatic service, Gereda has been ambassador to Mexico, Panama, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico (consul-general with rank of ambassador), Haiti (non-resident ambassador), South Korea, Taiwan (11 years), Greece (non-resident ambassador) and Israel. In 1979, after two years in Lima, he asked Guatemala for a transfer back to Jerusalem. "I love Israel... so much activity. And it is one of the centres in international affairs."

Looking back, he regards the Sadat visit in November 1977 as the high point, historically, of his posting. "We were at the airport (when he landed) and at the subsequent dinners."

Gereda carefully steers clear of taking sides on the internal Israeli rift over the peace process. "Though they may disagree (on tactics), both Foreign Minister Peres and Prime Minister Shamir agree with the Israeli people's desire for peace," Gereda says. "I hope they can come together."

Has Israel done enough to achieve peace? "Enough given the limits imposed by the internal divisions," he says.

Gereda feels more comfortable speaking of Israel's "first-class" cultural life - "ballet, universities." He says that when he first arrived, he noticed the "rough" public behaviour and manners of many Israelis. "But when there is real trouble, a traffic accident, then they all unite to help. Like teamwork."

Israeli-Guatemalan relations are excellent, says Gereda. There is Israeli agricultural and industrial assistance and lively trade. Guatemala sells Israel coffee, rubber, cardamom; Israel reciprocates with electronic and communications equipment, radar systems, and Arava aircraft. And weapons? "No, not now. Ten years ago, we bought light weapons - Galils, not tanks - for public order, not for fighting."

Gereda returns next week to a country "where today one can breathe the air of democracy and of sociological and economic reorganization," as he put it yesterday, at the farewell lunch in his honour hosted by Peres.

### 11 Jewish areas linked JDEC bows to power switch

By JOEL GREENBERG  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Directors of the Arab-owned Jerusalem District Electricity Company yesterday indicated their de facto acceptance of the Energy Ministry's reduction of the firm's concession area. While condemning the move, they pledged to continue supplying power to the company's remaining clients.

The company statement came as technicians of the Israel Electric Corporation completed the link-up of 11 Jewish neighbourhoods in Jerusalem across the Green Line to the national power grid. The areas had been disconnected from the JDEC power supply at 11 p.m. Sunday. Technicians of the East Jerusalem company reconnected lines to Arab neighbourhoods blacked out during the night-long operation (See story Page 4).

In a four-point statement, the JDEC board of directors condemned the switchover and the use of Emergency Defence Regulations to order company employees to co-operate with the move. However, it said the company would "continue to operate in accordance with its concession."

The board reiterated its rejection of the Knesset law which provided for a 12-year extension of the company's concession while reducing it to exclude Jewish neighbourhoods and settlements in the West Bank.

Workers at the firm staged a strike and said they would wage a protest campaign against the Israeli moves.

Energy Minister Moshe Shahal warned at a Jerusalem press conference that failure of the JDEC to cooperate in implementing the new concession terms would lead to a takeover of its entire area of service when its current 60-year concession expires on December 31. "If there is no solution, the company will simply cease to exist - if not legally, then as a supplier of electricity," he said.

Shahal said he was waiting for a response from the firm, and hoped talks with the company would resume in the next few days. He said he hoped the power switch "will lead (the JDEC) to take a more sober view of the situation, and realize that things can't go on like they have with a NIS 40 million debt, three years of unfulfilled promises by Jordan, and complaints about service by both Jewish and Arab clients."

He said the arrangement proposed to the JDEC took into consideration the special status of the company, despite its inefficiency and lack of economic viability. The firm is the largest Arab company in the West Bank and considered a national symbol by many Palestinians. Shahal proposed a solution based on three elements:

□ Cancelling JDEC debts in return for a transfer of its equipment in Jewish neighbourhoods to the IEC.  
□ An efficiency scheme which would streamline the company's operations.

□ Efforts to ensure the company an adequate profit margin by maintaining profitable electricity rates and stopping power losses from its grid. Mayor Teddy Kollek yesterday welcomed the power switch as "an efficient and positive solution" which would benefit both Jews and Arabs, while showing consideration for Arab sensitivities. Kollek said the Jewish neighbourhoods would be spared the hardships of inefficient service by the JDEC, while the company would be given the opportunity to become more efficient and improve its service to the Arab population.

### Peres favours limit to yeshiva students exempt from military

By ASHER WALLFISH  
Post Knesset Correspondent

Labour Party leader Shimon Peres said yesterday that exemption of yeshiva students from military service should be limited to a select number, large enough to maintain the institutions, but not so large as to constitute a vehicle for draft-dodgers.

Replying to comments at a meeting of the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, in the wake of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's statement last week that "the whole-sale exemption of yeshiva students from service is splitting the nation in two," Peres said that "the criteria for exemption have apparently changed since 1977 and we ought to examine why."

(Documentation which the IDF has supplied a special sub-committee of the full Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee indicates that the number of exemptions was considerably increased by Ezer Weizman when he was defence minister in the first Likud government, which was dependent on ultra-Orthodox Agudat Yisrael for its majority.)

Peres said that when he was director-general of the Defence Ministry in 1948, the prime minister and defence minister, the late David Ben-Gurion, put him in charge of arranging exemptions. "I discussed the problem with the rabbis. The number of requests was for 150 or 200 students. But then the whole population was only 650,000. If today the number of students exempted is 17,000, it's a very serious matter," Peres said.

In the discussion, Yossi Sarid (Citizen Rights Movement) said: "Since the state was founded, exemptions have enabled 60,000 healthy yeshiva students to become battlefield deserters."

Rabbi Menahem Hacohen (Alignment) said: "The official figures given us by the IDF prove that 20,000 yeshiva students of military age are today exempt from regular and reserve service."

**Mitzpe Ramon town council 'adopts' Pollards**  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
MIZPE RAMON. — The town council here yesterday voted to "adopt" Jonathan and Anne Pollard, who are serving prison terms in the U.S. for espionage and related charges. Vigils at the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv and a White House letter-writing campaign by Mitzpe Ramon schoolchildren are among planned actions aimed at persuading American officials to provide the couple better health care and facilities in prison.

### Call of thanks from refusenik highlights Soviet Jewry rally

By JONATHAN KARP  
For The Jerusalem Post

TEL AVIV. — Yuli Kosharovsky's voice came over loud but not so clear yesterday to 10,000 schoolchildren and activists who packed Yad Elyahu stadium for a Soviet Jewry rally.

Nevertheless, the refusenik, who was speaking from his Moscow apartment, made his message clear enough: Soviet Jews thank everyone who has been demonstrating on their behalf.

"We are strong... our contacts with you are alive and well, despite all the obstacles and all the pressures," Kosharovsky, an engineer and Hebrew teacher who has been denied an exit visa for 16 years, said in Hebrew. "We will succeed if we continue to work. We will emigrate to Israel."

The telephone call to Kosharovsky was the highlight of the solidarity rally, which was organized by the Israel Public Council for Soviet Jewry to coincide with the beginning of the Reagan-Gorbachev summit. Prime Minister Shamir assured Kosharovsky that he would seek his release, and joined other leaders in calling for free Jewish emigration.

"After yesterday's rally [in Washington, DC], no one in the Soviet Union can believe there is division within the Jewish people," the prime minister said. "The Jewish people are a power, and we are no longer a people without an address."

"We no longer say 'Let my people go,' but 'Let my people go home, to Israel, to the homeland,'" Shamir shouted, his voice cracking several times during the emotion-charged speech.

**Nine refuseniks detained by Moscow police**  
MOSCOW (AFP). — Police detained nine refuseniks for several hours yesterday when they attempted to demonstrate in central Moscow, dissidents said.

Approximately 20 refuseniks had announced their intention to demonstrate outside the Communist Party Central Committee building, but most were prevented from leaving the nearest underground station by police.

### Navon: tuition fees inconceivable

By BERNARD JOSEPHS  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Education Minister Yitzhak Navon has launched an onslaught against Treasury plans to axe millions of shekels from the schools budget, alleging that even before the cuts have been approved the Finance Ministry has been withholding large sums earmarked for vital projects.

In a sharp exchange with Finance Minister Moshe Nissim, Navon spelled out the damage he believes the cuts would cause in the already hard-up school system, Education Ministry officials said.

The atmosphere became heated when the two men - meeting before Sunday's cabinet session - discussed one of the Treasury's major proposals, to eliminate free secondary schooling and make parents pay tuition fees.

"This is inconceivable. There is no point in talking about it," Navon said, according to his aides. "I will play no part in increasing the burden for parents. The reimposition of tuition fees will cause thousands of pupils to drop out of school. The Treasury has suggested this before and it has failed to get it approved. You will fail this time too."

Instead of accepting the proposed cut of some NIS 140 million in the education budget, Navon told the finance minister he needed tens of millions of shekels extra so that the schools could absorb an expected increase in pupils next year, and so that the institutions could start repairing the damage caused by previous budget cuts.

The education minister then presented a list of vital projects for which, he asserted, the Treasury had "forgotten" to make provision in its proposed budget. These included:

□ NIS 19.1 m. to finance the enrolment of an increased number of children in the nation's schools next September;  
□ NIS 2.1 m. to expand psychological services for schools in Lebanese border settlements;  
□ NIS 3.3 m. towards a special budget to provide educational and cultural services to aid the absorption of thousands of Ethiopian immigrant children;  
□ an extra NIS 5m. to pay for high school classes for demobilized IDF soldiers who were entitled to complete their secondary education at the state's expense;  
□ funds to build 1,200 new classrooms, without which schools in some areas would face "serious overcrowding";  
□ money to replace 300 classrooms which were built of dangerously inflammable material and which the government last year decided to phase out over a three year period.

Navon, said his officials, also protested against Finance Ministry proposals to cancel the contracts of 88 special treasury inspectors employed to keep tabs on youngsters who have dropped out of school. These officials, he said, were currently helping some 10,000 teenagers from the weakest sectors of society.

The education minister reportedly told Nissim that an increase of only 1 per cent in the tax on companies and self-employed would be sufficient to provide all the money the schools needed.

**Rebbitzin Felice Bogner**  
With deep sorrow we announce the passing of  
wife of Rabbi Arthur Bogner of Washington, D.C.  
The funeral will take place today, Tuesday, December 8, 1987, leaving from Yeshivat Knesset Yehuda, 140 Sanhedria Murchet, Jerusalem, at 6 p.m. (For detailed information call 02-814820.)  
The mourners will sit shiva at the home of Rebbitzin Malin, daughter of the deceased, 113 bet (apt. 10), Sanhedria Murchet, Jerusalem.  
The Bogner, Malin and Gross families

On the first yahrzeit of our unforgotten, beloved daughter, and grandson  
**ESTHER B. (Stern) SHAUL**  
and  
**ZVI SHAUL**  
there will be a graveside memorial service tomorrow, Wednesday, December 9, 1987 (18 Kislev) at 3:00 p.m., on the Mount of Olives (entrance near the Intercontinental Hotel).  
We will leave from the home of the deceased, 46 Arzei Habira, at 2:40 p.m.  
Neshi and Lavee Sternan

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Miriam Kadmon  
Chava Reich  
and the grandchildren and great-grandchildren  
Kleinmann Pianos Ltd.  
The funeral will leave the Sanhedria funeral parlour tomorrow, Wednesday, December 9, 1987, for Har Hamenuhot, Jerusalem, at 11:00 a.m.  
Shiva at 25 Alharizi St., Jerusalem (Kallai)

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Post Knesset Correspondent

Labour Party leader Shimon Peres said yesterday that exemption of yeshiva students from military service should be limited to a select number, large enough to maintain the institutions, but not so large as to constitute a vehicle for draft-dodgers.

Replying to comments at a meeting of the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, in the wake of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's statement last week that "the whole-sale exemption of yeshiva students from service is splitting the nation in two," Peres said that "the criteria for exemption have apparently changed since 1977 and we ought to examine why."

(Documentation which the IDF has supplied a special sub-committee of the full Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee indicates that the number of exemptions was considerably increased by Ezer Weizman when he was defence minister in the first Likud government, which was dependent on ultra-Orthodox Agudat Yisrael for its majority.)

Peres said that when he was director-general of the Defence Ministry in 1948, the prime minister and defence minister, the late David Ben-Gurion, put him in charge of arranging exemptions. "I discussed the problem with the rabbis. The number of requests was for 150 or 200 students. But then the whole population was only 650,000. If today the number of students exempted is 17,000, it's a very serious matter," Peres said.

In the discussion, Yossi Sarid (Citizen Rights Movement) said: "Since the state was founded, exemptions have enabled 60,000 healthy yeshiva students to become battlefield deserters."

Rabbi Menahem Hacohen (Alignment) said: "The official figures given us by the IDF prove that 20,000 yeshiva students of military age are today exempt from regular and reserve service."

**Mitpze Ramon town council 'adopts' Pollards**  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
MIZPE RAMON. — The town council here yesterday voted to "adopt" Jonathan and Anne Pollard, who are serving prison terms in the U.S. for espionage and related charges. Vigils at the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv and a White House letter-writing campaign by Mitpze Ramon schoolchildren are among planned actions aimed at persuading American officials to provide the couple better health care and facilities in prison.

**New Zaire ambassador**  
KINSHASA (AFP). — General Eluki Monga Aundu has been named Zaire's new ambassador to Israel. He will replace Admiral Lomponda Wa Botende, who has been named armed forces chief of staff.

On the thirtieth day after the passing of our member  
**BEN (Binyamin) BEN-YOSSEF**  
(Goldschmidt)  
there will be a graveside service on Thursday, December 10, 1987 (19 Kislev 5748) at 3:30 p.m., at the kibbutz cemetery.  
A memorial service will be held in the dining room at 4:30 p.m.  
Kibbutz Ein Gev  
The Ben-Yossef Family

With great sorrow, we announce the death of  
**ROSE KOOLIK**  
(Philadelphia - Netanya)  
The funeral will take place today, Tuesday, December 8, 1987, at 12 noon, at the Shikun Vatikim cemetery, Netanya.  
Moshe and Miriam Koolik and family  
Shiva at 18 Metzarei Tiran St., Jerusalem.

On the thirtieth day after the passing of our dear  
**EDITH STELA SCHAJOWICZ**  
there will be a graveside memorial service at the Kfar Samir cemetery, Haifa, on Wednesday, December 9, 1987, at 3:00 p.m.  
Rachel Shimron  
Shlomit and Isaac Motho  
Audrey and David Shimron  
Prof. Alfred and Mona Schramek

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# Paris cracks down on Iranian dissidents--but denies bargain with Teheran

PARIS (Reuters) - Police detained about 20 Iranian exiles on Monday in a crackdown apparently linked to France's drive to improve relations with Teheran and free its hostages held by pro-Iranian groups in Lebanon.

The Interior Ministry said police raided the homes of members of the opposition People's Mujahedin guerrilla group in a series of raids around Paris. It accused them of "carrying out militant actions which seriously disturb public order" and said they

would be expelled.

A spokesman for the Baghdad-based Mujahedin, the main group fighting the rule of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, said France was paying a "heavy ransom" to the Iranian authorities in exchange for the release of two French hostages last month. "We are paying the price of a bargain which does not honour either France or Iran," the spokesman said.

He said 17 people were detained, all political refugees. An official

French source said about 20 were detained. Diplomatic sources said they would be allowed to choose where to go but would not be sent either to Iran or Iraq, enemies in the seven-year Gulf war.

Mujahedin leader Massoud Rajavi, asked to leave France in June last year for Baghdad, denounced the detentions as part of an "ugly deal" with Teheran.

An improvement on Franco-Iranian relations appeared likely since the release on November 27 of French

hostages Roger Auque and Jean-Louis Normandin by the pro-Iranian Revolutionary Justice organization. A week later France allowed Iranian embassy official Valid Gerdji, wanted for questioning about bombings which killed 13 people in Paris last year, to leave the country after a summary appearance before a French magistrate.

In a clear reference to Gerdji, Rajavi said: "It seems that nowadays in France, principles are being violated and taken hostage by Khomeini."

"Terrorists who have shed French blood are evading justice, while those whom France took pride in offering refuge to are being treated in the harshest manner," he said.

Rajavi's message to President Mitterrand was made public by the Mujahedin press office in London.

Rajavi and his aides left their headquarters in the Paris suburb of Auvers-sur-Oise on June 7 last year at the start of Prime Minister Jacques Chirac's drive to improve relations with Iran. Two weeks later,

two members of a French television crew kidnapped in Beirut were released. Chirac denies that he made a deal with Iran or paid a ransom to the kidnappers.

Last year, citing what he called "excesses" by some Iranian refugees, he promised to review the status of some exiles.

Iran is demanding that Paris curb exile activities on French soil, repay a contested billion-dollar loan and end its military backing for Iraq as the price for normal relations.

France says Teheran must put pressure on Lebanese kidnappers to free Western hostages before it can be accepted by the West. Seven French hostages have been released under Chirac's government while three more remain in captivity.

The man who masterminded the last hostage release, Interior Minister Charles Pasqua, said in a newspaper interview on Sunday he was confident the remaining three would be freed.

## Round two seen likely: Moscow in '88



SUMMIT

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - President Reagan is likely to go to Moscow for another summit meeting with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev by mid-1988, a top White House aide said yesterday.

"I don't know whether it will be in May or June," White House Chief of Staff Howard Baker said in a television interview, "but I would think there is a strong possibility there will be a second summit."

Only a few hours before Gorbachev was due in Washington for this week's superpower meeting, Baker said he believed a Kremlin summit could take place, even if no agreement was ready for signing then on a reduction in strategic arms.

"I don't think that the successful negotiation of a START (strategic arms reductions treaty) is a necessary pre-condition for a second summit," he added.

Such an agreement has been widely believed to be essential for Reagan to go to Moscow since U.S. officials have said they see no point in summits without substantive arms agreements.

Soviet Foreign Ministry Spokesman Gennady Gerasimov said the superpowers would find a way to agree on cutting long-range missiles by 50 per cent. "I see we have political will on both sides to reach it," he said in a television interview yesterday, "and if you have political will then there is a way."

Secretary of State George Shultz said the U.S. expects modest gains on human rights and regional issues at the summit this week.

## New missile treaty raises old fears of vulnerability for Western Europe

PARIS (AFP) - While publicly applauding the intermediate nuclear forces treaty to be signed today by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and U.S. President Ronald Reagan, many leaders in Western Europe are at the same time worried that their countries will be more vulnerable as a result.

The great majority of the 1,850 nuclear warheads to be destroyed under the INF treaty are based in the two halves of Europe (the rest are in Asia), and the Soviet side will have to withdraw four times as many as will NATO. Western Europe will also retain some 4,000 short-range, or tactical, nuclear warheads which are considered essential to NATO's strategy of a "flexible graduated response" to any military threat from the east.

Nevertheless, the treaty has raised old fears that Europe might become "decoupled" from the U.S. which may be less willing than in the past to risk its own survival by coming to the aid of Europe in the case of a Soviet invasion.

Many are worried that the INF accord will prove but the first step on the road to a nuclear-free Europe, proposed by Gorbachev.

Some observers have even expressed old fears that a renewal of isolationism, and economic crisis, in the U.S. may lead that country to pull out the 320,000 U.S. Army troops it keeps here as part of NATO forces. Pierre Lellouche, of the French Institute of International Relations summed up the fears by saying that the accord "represents a potentially devastating turning-point for European security systems." And the conservative French newspaper *Le Quotidien de Paris* yesterday ran a cartoon showing Soviet and American hands locked in a handshake - with Europe being crushed in the middle. "Europe Naked," was the headline.

Although political leaders throughout Western Europe have officially welcomed the agreement, they have started responding to the fears by moves aimed at taking more control over their own defence.

In particular, Belgium, Britain, France, West Germany, Italy, Luxembourg and the Netherlands have moved to reactivate the Western European Union, a long-dormant exclusively European defence forum. Last October the seven WEU members met in The Hague and agreed on a common defence platform.

Moves for military cooperation between France and West Germany, with the decision this year to set up a joint unit, are also seen as a result of the move towards disarmament by the two superpowers.

West European leaders have stressed that further disarmament talks must focus on reducing the superpowers' strategic arsenals, on eliminating chemical weapons, and ending the imbalance in favour of the Warsaw Pact in conventional forces in Europe. On the latter point, they have called for rapid modernization of NATO's conventional forces, in spite of the current budget problems.

## Three out of five Americans consider USSR a serious threat

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Most Americans consider the Soviet Union to be a threat to the United States and fear Moscow is catching up to Washington in global affairs, according to an opinion poll published yesterday.

But *The Washington Post-ABC* television news poll said a majority of the 1,007 adults surveyed last week believes U.S.-Soviet relations are good and almost half expect them to improve.

Barely half of those polled said they had read or heard anything about the proposed treaty between the two countries to limit medium and shorter-range nuclear missiles, *The Washington Post* reported.

Some 45 per cent of those questioned said reducing nuclear war should be given top priority in Washington's policy toward the Soviet Union, while almost a third stressed forcing changes in the Kremlin's stand on human rights.

Only 18 per cent said ensuring the protection of Western Europe should be Washington's main objective.

The poll showed that three out of five Americans consider the Soviet Union to be a serious or very serious threat to the U.S.

About two-thirds of those polled said the U.S. has been losing ground to the Soviet Union in world affairs, but 79 per cent said the United States has more overall influence in international matters.

Fifty-five percent rated U.S.-Soviet relations good and almost half said relations between the two countries would improve over the next 10 years.

The newspaper report said: "American ignorance about U.S.-Soviet relations appears undiminished. Only one-third of those questioned, for example, were able to recall that the two countries were allies in World War II."

## Silkworm fired at Kuwaiti barge used by U.S. Navy

PARIS (AFP) - A missile fired Monday against Kuwait was aimed at a floating barge that Kuwaiti authorities recently placed at the disposal of the U.S. Navy. Teheran Radio reported in a broadcast monitored here. The broadcast did not say who had fired the missile.

Kuwaiti authorities accused Iran of launching the weapon, which they said was a Chinese-made Silkworm, and later lodged an official protest with Teheran through the Iranian charge d'affaires in Kuwait.

In Kuwait, a military spokesman said that metal decoy panels managed to foil the attack. He said the missile hit a decoy barge that held a metal panel, causing it to miss its target. He did not disclose what the target had been nor did he provide the location of the barge.

Kuwaiti sources earlier said the missile fell into Kuwait's southwestern territorial waters, causing neither damage nor casualties. According to Teheran radio, the surface-to-surface missile had been aimed at a floating Kuwaiti military base situated near the Kuwaiti coast in the southern gulf. It said the base had recently been placed at the disposal of U.S. forces, a move that it charged was against the principles of non-alignment, which Kuwait professed to share.

Reliable sources in Kuwait have confirmed that the emirate was allowing the U.S. Navy to use the barge but stressed that it would be moored in international and not Kuwaiti territorial waters.

## World Chess still all square

SEVILLE (Reuters) - The 21st game of the world chess championship between title-holder Garry Kasparov and challenger Anatoly Karpov was drawn after 28 moves yesterday.

The match remains tied 10-1/2 to 10-1/2 with three wins and 15 draws for each player. Victory in the 24-game series will go to the first player to accumulate 12-1/2 points. Kasparov, as champion, retains the crown in the event of a 12-12 draw.

## Dacca at standstill in new mass strike

DACCA (Reuters) - An anti-government strike brought Dacca to a standstill yesterday after President Hossain Mohammad Ershad dissolved parliament the previous night. Shops, offices, banks and factories were shuttered. The roads were almost deserted with only some cycle-rickshaws and government buses operating under police escort.

Railway officials said trains were not running because many drivers did not turn up for work. River ferry services were also disrupted. Police said there was little violence in the early hours of the stoppage. Some homemade bombs went off around the capital, but no one was reported hurt.

This story was written under state of emergency restrictions which limit reporting to news issued by the government.

The strike took place only eight hours after Ershad dissolved the 330-member parliament following a three-hour cabinet meeting on Sunday night.



Practising her charm, Raisa Gorbachev pays a brief visit to the Edith Moorhouse primary school in Caterton, southwest of London, yesterday. (Reuters)

## Anger vented over 'negligence' in death of classmate

## 1,500 Peking university students hold illegal protest on ministry steps

PEKING (AFP) - About 1,500 angry university students illegally demonstrated yesterday on the steps of a government headquarters here to protest against the murder of a 19-year-old classmate, eyewitnesses reported.

Police took at least one student into custody and were seen manhandling several others earlier in the day, the witnesses reported.

Thronged by police, the students marched along one of the city's major avenues chanting "Long live legality" and carrying wreaths of white paper flowers.

Eyewitnesses said that the demonstrators were protesting against the murder of Zhang Wei, a management student, who died Saturday

after he was stabbed by two people who entered the campus. "Our classmate died because of bad doctors and lousy security," one student told a foreign eyewitness.

Several hundred students swarmed into the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade (Mofert), despite attempts by police and by Mofert's Minister Zheng Tuobin to dissuade them, said eyewitnesses.

Security forces blocked all attempts by students to continue onto Tiananmen Square, the site of massive pro-democracy demonstrations last year.

Yesterday's protest was the first student demonstration since last

December and January, when tens of thousands of university students in more than 20 cities took to the streets demanding greater freedom and democracy. Since then, demonstrations in the capital have been strictly forbidden.

Students claim that their classmate was taken to the Sino-Japanese Hospital only after being held for several hours at a rudimentary university clinic, and that his death was caused by negligence and poor campus security.

The protest came two days ahead of the "December 9th" anniversary marking a 1935 demonstration by student nationalists against the presence of Japanese troops in the Chinese capital.

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## Attention Hadassah Members:

Due to the loss of delegates in the recent elections for the World Zionist Congress, Hadassah has abandoned its traditional position of political non-partisanship and non-denominational affiliation among the religious streams of Judaism. By aligning itself with the Labour Movement, and the Conservative and Reform streams of Judaism, it no longer can serve as a neutral force for unifying the Jewish People.

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# The long night of disconnecting and connecting electricity

By JOEL GREENBERG  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Engineer Subhi Izhman of the Jerusalem District Electricity Company was a worried man Sunday night. Served with an order to assist in disconnecting 11 Jewish neighbourhoods from his company's power grid, he was one of the first JDEC employees to be tested by the Energy Ministry's decision to unilaterally reduce the company's concession.

Under the watchful eyes of plainclothesmen and Border Police who sat in the switchboard room of the JDEC building, Izhman called company chairman Hanna Nasser and read him the Energy Ministry order instructing him to "appear at the company for work, and assist in the disconnection and connection" of the Jerusalem neighbourhoods.

The pressure was on. For the first time since the

ministry announced its plans to reduce the JDEC concession, workers at the Arab firm were being compelled to join in dismantling part of their power supply network and transferring it to Israeli hands.

The phone call ended inconclusively. Izhman was told to consult with the company's chief engineer, Ali Taha, while Nasser awaited an opinion from the JDEC lawyer, Shlomo Toussia-Cohen. In a room upstairs, Taha and members of the company's militant workers' union held a marathon meeting to discuss their response.

In the switchboard room, an Energy Ministry official entrusted with the thankless task of collecting the engineers waited for hours with the police, a look of mild exasperation on his face. Occasionally he would ask when the engineers were coming down, and he relayed developments through a

walkie-talkie.

An Arab journalist asked the official if he didn't sympathize with the workers. "Of course we all have our feelings, but once a decision's been taken, the best thing to do is carry it out in the best way possible," he said.

Why didn't he just walk into the meeting upstairs with the police and take the engineers? "There's no need for that," he said. He was treading carefully, and besides, he said, the job could be done even without the JDEC men — it would just take longer.

Eventually the meeting broke up and the engineers, escorted by police, went to the power stations to assist in the switchover. A leading union member said there would be no attempts by workers to physically block the operation. The long night had begun.

On the other side of the city, hundreds of Israel Electric Corporation workers stood by with their equipment to carry out the complicated switch, which was organized like a military operation. A force of about 1,000 police prepared to take up positions at various points in the capital where the IEC technicians would work through the night to link the neighbourhoods to the Israeli power grid.

An eyewitness said there was an atmosphere of anticipation as the men prepared to carry out the long-awaited changeover, contemplated for years. "Good evening, Electric Corporation commandos," boomed IEC director-general Yitzhak Hoff. A smiling Energy Minister Moshe Shahal wished the workers good luck, and they moved out into the windy night.

In the early hours of the morning in the darkened

neighbourhoods, groups of IEC technicians could be seen working in trenches under makeshift tents illuminated by floodlights powered by portable generators. The men cut cables connecting Jewish neighbourhoods to the Arab company, and linked them to lines supplied by the Israeli firm. Arab neighbourhoods were also plugged into darkness in the process.

By morning, most of the work was finished. Shahal told a press conference that the operation had gone off without a hitch, and that fears of unrest or sabotage failed to materialize.

Israeli neighbourhoods were now receiving Israeli electricity, and Arab neighbourhoods, Arab power. What did Shahal feel about the new arrangement of ethnically divided electricity services in Jerusalem? "Personally, it bothers me," he said. "But I couldn't find another solution."

## Conservatives 'want to help Israel complete the Zionist revolution'

By CHARLES HOFFMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The chancellor of the Conservative movement's Jewish Theological Seminary, Prof. Ismar Schorsch, is a first-time delegate to the Zionist Congress. But this has not stopped him from taking an irreverent swipe at the proceedings.

Referring to the World Zionist Organization as "bloated and antiquated," Schorsch noted that it is ironic that the Zionist Congress should become the arena through which a "frustrated American Jewry can clobber the Israeli establishment on the 'Who is a Jew' issue."

The WZO "perhaps should have been dismantled long ago, but it has provided an opportunity for members of the Conservative — and Reform — movements to express their anger at the attempt of the Israeli political establishment to delegitimize them by changing the Law of Return."

Partly as a result of this backlash, the Reform movement doubled its number of elected delegates to the congress in the recent elections. And Mercaz, the Conservative Zionist organization, rose from zero to 22 delegates. Mercaz is headed by Simon Schwartz, former president of United Synagogue of America,



Prof. Ismar Schorsch

the congregational arm of the Conservative movement.

Schorsch, an expert in modern European Jewish history, took over as chancellor of the JTS last year. Under his direction, the Conservative movement has begun to develop a long-term strategy for its Israel involvement — which Schorsch admitted has been long overdue.

"We have not come to the congress just to express our anger. We want to help Israel complete the Zionist revolution," Schorsch explained by taking a historical perspective.

"The early Zionist thinkers wanted not only to ensure the physical



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survival of the Jews and to build a new Jewish society. They also sought a renewal of Judaism. Somehow, the latter goal became sidetracked in Zionist history and traditional Judaism has stagnated in Israel.

"We think that the Conservative movement can help complete this phase of the Zionist revolution, by contributing to the revitalization of Judaism in Israel. We want to become active players on the Israeli domestic scene."

Schorsch noted that "American Jews are always being told that we should do more for aliyah. But I don't think that there has been a sufficient appreciation here of the aliyah produced by the Conservative movement in the past 20 years."

He would like to see more Conservative olim here, but is dubious about the effectiveness of shlichim (emissaries). "Aliyah is attained through meaningful experiences in Israel, not through speeches."

"The Conservative movement excels in vehicles for bringing young people to Israel for such experiences."

## Schwarz introduces Israelis to Albert

JERUSALEM SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA  
IBA: Gerard Schwarz, conductor; Vera Vaidman, violinist; (Jerusalem, Henry Crown Hall, December 5) Stephen Albert, Rabinovich, Tchaikovsky; Violin Concerto in D Major op. 35; Brahms: Symphony No. 1 in C minor op. 68.

CREDIT conductor Schwarz with introducing the music of Stephen Albert to Israeli audiences. Rain-Music is an extremely colourful addition to the contemporary repertoire which leaves the listener with the desire to hear RiverRun, the larger work from which it is excerpted. Its idiom is contemporary with-

out being inaccessible, its weave of original ideas is interesting and its orchestration is in the full-blown style of Grofe, Howard Hanson and others of the "American School."

But more important, credit Schwarz with being a gifted, first-rate conductor, capable of bringing out the best that the JSO has to offer (which is far better than in the recent past) and not at all reluctant to dig into Tchaikovsky and Brahms in order to bring out a reading at once warm, well-balanced and stylistically authentic.

Much the same can be said of Vera Vaidman's performance which, except for some wobbly intonation in the first movement, was correct in every respect. Her approach to the work is similar to that of many of the contemporaries, which is to say more studied and cooler than suits the taste of this listener, but this is a matter of personal preference. Vaidman's technique is superb, her execution seemingly effortless, and her rapport with the conductor well-disciplined.

DANIEL ZIFF

## Abraham Duker: historian and educator

Abraham G. Duker, who died in Jerusalem recently, had a long and interesting career in America as a historian, educator, librarian and sociologist.

Born in Poland in 1907, he arrived in the U.S. with his family in 1924, and embarked on the difficult career of Jewish historian and librarian — one of the first to be trained in America. As a scholar his main contribution was a series of authoritative studies on Polish-Jewish relations.

As a young librarian at the former Graduate School of Jewish Social Work in the 1930s, Duker fought

against communist infiltration of Jewish life, while standing firm for Labour Zionist principles. Always an observant Jew, in 1937 he translated and edited a selection of Ber Borochov's writings, entitled *Nationalism and the Class Struggle*. His U.S. Army and Office of Strategic Services work during World War II took him as an investigator to the Nuremberg trials.

In later years, Duker was president of the College of Jewish Studies (today the Spertus College of Judaica) in Chicago. He returned to New York in 1962 as professor at Yeshiva University, and from 1972

to 1980 he taught at Brooklyn College. Upon his retirement, he came to live in Israel.

Abe Duker was a man of deep personal warmth. He had an instinctive sympathy for the *folksmassen*, and never lost the quality of *folksmensch*. Again and again he rendered unselfish aid to the underdog and the down and out. He always spoke his mind sharply and fearlessly.

He is survived by his wife, his son Dr. Nahum Duker, his daughters Rivkah Fishman and Deborah Marmon, and 11 grandchildren.

Lloyd P. Gartner

## Israel to host meeting of labour court judges

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Israel will host representatives from eight countries at the second convention of European labour court judges, slated to begin in Herzliya on December 17.

According to Judge Menachem Goldberg, Israel's labour courts have a wider sphere of jurisdiction than those in other countries because they also deal with matters relating to social security, especially the National Insurance Institute.

Goldberg, who is president of the National Labour Court, says some 21,000 suits are filed annually in the country's five regional labour courts. The average delay in hearing the files submitted is between six months and a year, a surprisingly favourable record compared with Israel's regular courts system. Goldberg said. Of these, some 1,000 files are appealed to the national court, and despite the fact that all the appeals are heard by the court's three judges, there is no backlog between one judicial year and the next.

Participants in the conference,

which was organized by Dr. Alan Gladstone of the International Labour Organization, will include labour appeal court presidents from Denmark, Finland, West Germany, Norway, Spain, Sweden and England.

The two topics to be discussed include the internal organization of the courts systems — an area in which Israeli participants might be envious of the budgets of their European counterparts — and disputes concerning termination of employment.

Goldberg says that while Israeli workers are better protected than most of their European counterparts, Israeli courts cannot force an employer to retract a dismissal, a power given to many European courts.

Goldberg says there is a marked increase in labour unrest, and subsequently of claims brought before the court, in election years, and he foresees a busy year ahead for himself and his colleagues.

## Poles create stir with comment on 'Israel's policy of expansion'

By GREER FAY CASHMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

WARSAW — Jewish participation in the international ceremonies to commemorate the 45th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising here next spring could be severely curtailed, according to a key activist, unless the organizing committee retracts an offending statement regarding Israel.

In an announcement released last week, the committee stated that the commemoration will have "anti-war and anti-fascist implications." In this context, the committee referred to "dangerous, revisionist and neo-Nazi trends in the Federal Republic of Germany as well as the possible consequences of Israel's policy of expansion."

Stefan Grayek, president of the World Federation of Former Jewish Fighters, Partisans and Concentration Camp Inmates, who was in Warsaw last week to participate in committee sessions, has protested to the Foreign Ministry, to committee chairman Gen. Jozef Kaminski and to the Central Committee of the Communist Party.

In a strongly worded letter he warned that unless the statement is

retracted he will consider excluding from the ceremonies all those people who would have come under the aegis of the World Federation of Jewish Fighters and the World Federation of Polish Jews. This would encompass some 4,500 visitors from abroad. Cancellation of the ceremony, which Grayek told *The Jerusalem Post* "would be meaningless without our participation," will be detrimental not only to Poland's image but also to its economy in terms of loss of foreign currency revenue.

Grayek said that he had been assured that a conciliatory statement will be issued. Until it is, however, he said he is suspending all plans for Israeli participation. If all goes well, more than a third of the participants will travel from Israel to Poland. Israeli travel agents dealing with tourism to Poland in mid-December are to open reservations for the Warsaw Ghetto commemoration tour.

Observers here believe that the Polish statement with regard to Israel was made as a gesture to Palestinians on the 40th anniversary of the UN resolution on the partition of Palestine. There is a permanent PLO diplomatic mission in Warsaw.



Plans to open the tunnel along the Western Wall to pedestrians go into high gear yesterday as Religious Affairs Minister Ze'evulun Hammer takes Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, Police Minister Haim Bar-Lev and Police Inspector-General David Kraus on a tour of the site. Opening the tunnel could result in thousands of Jewish pilgrims entering and leaving the Western Wall plaza via the Moslem Quarter, close to the Via Dolorosa. According to the Religious Affairs Ministry spokesman, just where the tunnel will emerge has yet to be determined, but it could be at an Arab home or shop. (Left to right: Kollek, Hammer, Kraus and Bar-Lev look on as district archeologist Dan Bahat raises his arms to describe the tunnel.) (Rahamim Israeli)

## Australian Resolution commended by Shamir

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Shamir last night commended the Zionist Federation of Australia for leading the battle to rescind the UN resolution equating Zionism with racism.

He was speaking at a reception in Jerusalem to mark the diamond jubilee of the Zionist Federation of Australia and to herald Australia's bicentennial and Israel's 40th anniversary celebrations.

The move to which he was referring was that of the Australian Parliament, which a year ago unanimously condemned the UN position. The Australian Resolution, as it is known internationally, has since been adopted or is in the process of being adopted by several other countries.

"Here in Jerusalem, in the midst of the Zionist Congress," declared Shamir, "we reaffirm our faith in Zionism, our people's national liberation movement."

Simcha Diniz, the newly elected chairman of the World Zionist Organization and the Jewish Agency, spoke before the prime minister, telling the hundreds of assembled guests, many of whom are delegates

to the congress: "All of you have had enough speeches. When I talk about reforms in the Zionist movement, one of the first will be short speeches." He was roundly applauded.

ZEA president Mark Leibler described the role the ZFA had played in the creation and acceptance of the state. One of Leibler's predecessors, the late Max Freilich, had had "an enormous input" in the stand of Australia's representative to the UN in 1947. Herbert Eviat, Leibler said, Israel's Foreign Minister Moshe Sharrit had described Eviat as "one of the foremost personalities responsible for the birth of Israel," said Leibler.

Australia's involvement in the plight of Soviet Jewry was also cited by Leibler. Australian Prime Minister Robert Hawke and Foreign Minister Bill Hayden have just completed discussions with Soviet leaders, he said. Before leaving for the Soviet Union, Hawke had publicly and privately committed himself to advancing the cause of Soviet Jewry during his visit to Moscow. A number of Soviet Jewish families have received exit visas as a result of Hawke's intervention, Leibler said.

## Bedwetting more frequent in low income families

By JUDY SIEGEL

Post Science and Health Reporter

If both your parents were bedwetters when they were children, you have a 77 per cent chance of being a bedwetter yourself. Fifteen per cent of youngsters up to the age of 15 suffer from it, but only one per cent of those above that age.

These were some of the facts about bedwetting (enuresis, or involuntary release of urine, especially at night) that were disclosed during a call-in service last night organized by Kupat Holim Meuhedet.

Bedwetting is much more frequent in families of low socio-economic status than the better off, said the experts, because there is more tension and probably more shouting at children, which often produces enuresis. A sudden change in family life — parents travelling abroad, moving to a new place, an illness in the family — can bring it on. If all physiological causes for the problem have been ruled out, the cause is psychological.

There is no reason to worry about bedwetting until the age of five in girls and six in boys (who develop slower). About one per cent of soldiers in the Israel Defence Forces have been found to suffer from the problem,

mostly because of stress and fears about leaving home for the first time.

One mother told the doctors that her three-and-a-half year old suddenly started wetting her bed after she was introduced to her new baby brother. She was advised to give the older sibling a lot of attention. A 40-year-old woman complained that she started bedwetting after becoming a widow.

A widely used device to stop bedwetting is an electrical device that sets a bell off and wakes the child up as soon as urine wets the bedclothing. An anti-diuretic hormone called Minerin has been used successfully as well. It is breathed in through the nose, in diminishing frequency over four months, and the success rate in stopping enuresis is 50 to 60 per cent. The experts were flooded with calls during the two-hour call-in service.

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## International Federation of Secular Humanistic Jews

STATEMENT

## Who Speaks for the Jewish People?

Who speaks for the Jewish people?

This question is a controversial issue, especially since the creation of the state of Israel. As the homeland of the world Jewish people, the Jewish state has become the most powerful voice in Jewish affairs.

The Knesset of the state of Israel usually deals with issues of Israeli concern. But, the Knesset has made decisions which also affect the lives and fate of the Jews outside of Israel — for example, deciding who is a Jew. Because Israel is so central in Jewish life, many Jews and non-Jews view these decisions as authoritative norms for Jews everywhere. Diaspora Jews are affected by laws, in the determination of which they have no voice.

We, the members of the International Federation of Secular Humanistic Jews, believe that the Jews of Israel and the Jews of all other countries are one people, and that they are responsible one for the other. The true voice of the Jewish people is the voice of Israel and the Diaspora.

Therefore, we affirm the right of Jews outside of Israel to be consulted in all matters which deeply affect their welfare. As a sovereign state, Israel has the right to be master in its own house, both in domestic and foreign policy. But, as the homeland of the Jewish People, Israel must emphasize its partnership with the world Jewish community.

Where decisions of the Knesset will have an impact on the Jewish people as a whole, the Knesset must consult with the leaders of the Diaspora communities. The Jewish consensus must be a consensus embracing all the people. Determining who is a Jew is not a matter for the Knesset to decide alone. It is a decision to be made by all of world Jewry.

## Who Speaks for the Secular Jew?

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# Near-sightedness could mean more intelligence

A FOOD SCIENCE expert at the Volcani Institute has inadvertently discovered a colouring agent that makes possible the effective destruction by laser of tumours in animals. Years will pass before it can be tried out on humans, but he and his colleagues have high hopes for the substance in the war against cancer.

Dr. Yonell Rosenthal of the institute at Beit Dan was studying the biological effects of food colourings. While doing so, he developed, with Dr. Ehud Ben-Hur, a blue colour called palocyanin that is absorbed in high concentration by cancerous cells and is almost totally rejected by healthy cells. When the tumour, injected with the colour, is exposed to the red laser light, the cells are destroyed.

This laser technique has been used for several years by scientists here and abroad, but Drs. Rosenthal and Ben-Hur say that palocyanin is much more effective than other chemicals in destroying tumours with the use of lasers. It has proved itself in tissue cultures in the lab and in animal experiments that are now being conducted in cooperation with American researchers. A few more years of tests on animals are needed, they stress, to find out if the colour has no dangerous side effects before it can be used in clinical trials on humans.

FEW MOTHERS know it, but talcum powders used for baby's bottom generally contain asbestos, which can - from extended use - cause lung and other cancers. A healthy substitute is cornstarch. The company that makes cornstarch for kitchen use, Galam of Kibbutz Ma'anit, has just introduced cornstarch "talc-less talcum powder" for baby use. Called Carissima, it is the same stuff you use to thicken soups, and has no scent or other additives. But it comes in a plastic container with holes on the top for easy sprinkling during diapering. The manufacturer says it protects sensitive skin and prevents rashes.

NEAR-SIGHTED people are more likely to be more intelligent than the general population, according to a survey conducted among 150 Israeli army draftees. Dr. Mordechai Rosner and Prof. Michael Belkin from the Visual Research Centre of Tel Aviv University and Sheba Hospital at Tel Hashomer did the study and wrote an article that appeared in the *American Medical Association Archives of Ophthalmology*.

They reported that near-sightedness - that requires wearing glasses to see objects from a distance - was found among only 7.9 per cent of the draftees who had an IQ of 80 or less, but 27.1 per cent of those with an impressive IQ of 128 or more were near-sighted. Of all those checked, 15.7 per cent were near-sighted. A clear connection was found between high school graduates and near-sightedness. The researchers suggest that whoever reads more has a higher IQ and has a better education, and, as a result of the environment, has a greater chance of becoming near-sighted. However, they don't rule out the possibility of a genetic connection between intelligence and near-sightedness. The research of course does not mean that someone who has normal vision or is far-sighted is not intelligent, or that the worse your vision is, the higher your IQ.

THE COMMON method of wearing a sling, with a loop of fabric around the neck into which a broken arm is inserted, is an invitation to back pains. Yehudit Marcus, head of the physiotherapy service at Hadassah-University Hospital in Jerusalem, suggests a different kind of sling that reduces the burden on the



Judy Siegel-Itzkovich

vertebrae of the neck. A longer section of cloth is looped around the wrist at one end. It passes over the opposite shoulder and under the armpit and loops below the elbow. Hadassah has tried the new sling and found that patients are able to stand much straighter with less pressure on the neck.

OF ALL infants born prematurely, more than one-tenth are at risk for serious developmental impairment caused by poor or interrupted flow of oxygen-rich blood to the brain.

Now an experimental system has been developed in London that can help prevent such damage. A recent issue of *Popular Science* reports that the system monitors the brain's blood supply safely and non-invasively by using near-infrared light and ultrasensitive sensors that can detect minute amounts of such light. Developed at University College Hospital, the system works because near-infrared light is absorbed by hemoglobin molecules in the blood. The more these are infused with oxygen, the more light they absorb. When a light source is placed over the baby's head, a tiny fraction of the light is transmitted to a sensor, and the amount of oxygen in the blood can be displayed immediately. This makes possible continuous monitoring of the premature baby. Doctors believe that this principle can be extended to other parts of the baby, including muscles, the heart and the kidneys.

SMOKING HAS been banned on all internal flights in Israel, as well as on international flights by Israeli planes that last up to two hours. The regulations were signed into effect a few weeks ago by Transport Minister Haim Corfu. Smoking is allowed in small, restricted areas in the plane, but it is prohibited in the toilets and the aisles, as well as the seats. The same orders also allow testing Israeli pilots with breathalyzers, which measure the amount of alcohol in their blood.

IN THE LAST five years, the number of Israelis who have gone abroad for urgent operations has quadrupled, according to the Health Ministry. This statistic refers to operations that have been approved by the ministry as necessary because the procedure is unavailable in Israel. Since the beginning of this year, 240 requests were made, and 185 of them were approved. In 1982, 70 requests were made, and only 45 were approved.

The explanation for the great increase is rising awareness in the population of the possibility of treatment abroad, plus the greater success in organ transplants, thanks to the use of the anti-rejection drug cyclosporine. But the ministry expects and hopes that the figures of requests will fall in the coming year, in reaction to directives it has issued to hospitals to encourage the donation of organs. Patients that have "ministry approval" get reductions or exemptions in the government's travel tax and *per diem* subsidization by the health fund of which they are a member. But the total cost of such procedures abroad far exceeds this assistance, and must be raised pri-

vately or with help from companies, the public or local authorities.

A CHILEAN millionaire couple who died in an airline crash in 1983 left two frozen embryos for implantation in an Australian hospital. Doctors are now looking for a suitable infertile woman who is willing to have the embryos implanted in her womb. The doctors believe, however, that there is less than a five per cent chance that the embryos, once defrosted, will develop into healthy fetuses in the womb. If no volunteer mother is found, the embryos will remain in the freezer.

# Getting there before the bad guys

By LEA LEVAVI

DOZENS OF teenagers from all over the country flock to Tel Aviv in search of excitement. Easy prey for criminal elements at the central bus station, Elkan, the Association for Rehabilitation and Advancement of Youth, wants to get to them before "the bad guys."

"These are often youngsters who spent their elementary school years in institutions or who live in deprived homes and are attracted by the glamour of the big city," Danny Gold, the social worker now serving as executive director of Elkan, explained.

"Although the Tel Aviv municipality cannot be expected to take responsibility for every vagrant who comes here, somebody has to take responsibility. We recommend that the Ministry of Labour and Social

Affairs works with the Tel Aviv municipality in dealing with these youngsters, but we will do our part, too. Aside from speaking up for youngsters like these and providing volunteers to act as positive big brother or father figures, we would also like to open a hostel where these teenagers could live temporarily."

This, of course, requires money. Elkan was supposed to have held a national fund-raising day next month, but postponed it until the spring for fear that the radio and television strike would limit the campaign's impact. In the meantime, however, Elkan is trying to get permission from the Tel Aviv municipality to run a fund-raising campaign in Tel Aviv, and also wants to attract the interest of individual donors. Contributions can be deposited

in Elkan's bank account, No. 289700, Bank Hapoalim branch 772, or sent to Elkan's office at 8 Rehov Remez, Tel Aviv.

"Since these kids are very suspicious of everyone, the hostel would have to provide minimal services - like food, a shower and a clean bed - and make very limited demands at the beginning," Danny Gold said. "We won't turn these kids into a youth movement during the first week, but we hope to get them to work and some sort of schooling, to keep them away from criminal influences and to bring them to a point where they will be able to serve in the IDF."

Gold said nobody knows exactly how many of these youngsters come to Tel Aviv but he already knows of a few dozen cases. So far, they have all been boys and initial plans are to

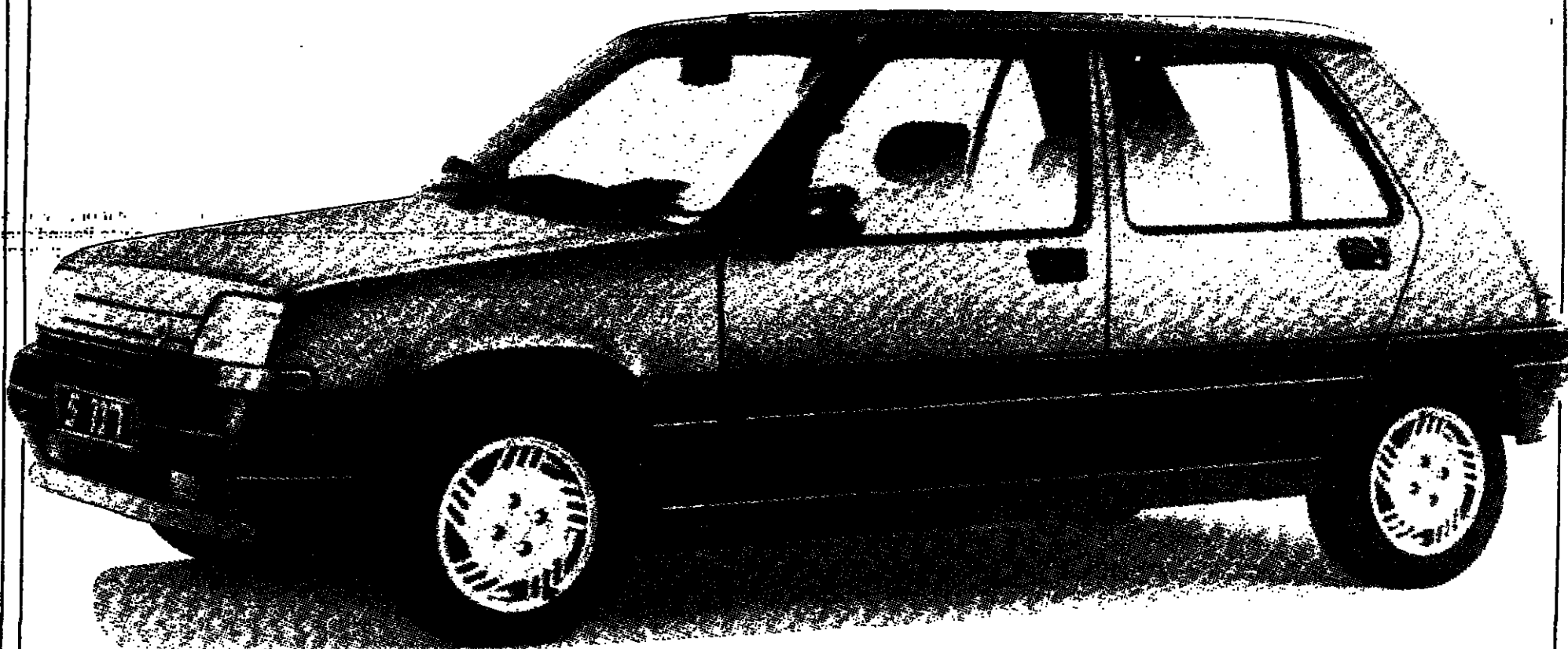
set up a hostel for boys, though a girls' hostel may follow.

Zvi Erez, a retired teacher and director of institutions for disadvantaged youth who is now an Elkan volunteer, said he knows of about 300 Tel Aviv youngsters who don't have appropriate housing. Their family circumstances and the neighbourhoods they come from are so bad that keeping them there almost guarantees that they will end up on the wrong side of the law, he said. Residential institutions are often inappropriate, he said, because these youngsters find it difficult to function in a structured environment or want to study at factory schools where there are no dormitories.

He added that budget cuts in recent years have hurt these disadvantaged youngsters more than they have other groups.

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Hadassah-Wizo women convene for 70th anniversary

## Inspired Canadians

By LEA LEVAVI

WHEN Cecily Peters, outgoing president of Hadassah-Wizo Canada, met the participants in her organization's 70th anniversary mission to Israel, she thought she would amaze them by telling them she had been to Israel 21 times. It didn't work; among the participants were some whose children and grandchildren live here, and who had 25 or more visits to their credit. Only about 75 of the 407 participants (that includes about 100 husbands) are first-time visitors.

The mission, which arrived here last Tuesday evening, will visit the organization's projects here, including the Hofim Youth Aliya Center for young immigrants from Ethiopia, day-care centres and vocational high schools, and Assaf Harofeh Hospital where the organization will dedicate a diagnostic imaging centre and where it plans to build a new ophthalmology centre. Lectures on the country's political situation are also planned.

"Of course, the women always come back from a trip like this inspired to work harder," Peters said, "and bringing husbands is important because they understand better why their wives are away from home so much and why their wives' work for Hadassah-Wizo is important."

The organization began as part of Hadassah, when Henrietta Szold visited Canada in 1917. But in 1921, Vera Weizmann came and con-

vinced the women to join the newly-formed Wizo. Today, the organization has no ties to Hadassah other than its name and its friendly relations with the American organization.

On Monday evening, Naomi Frankenburg will be installed as the organization's new president. "This is not only the biggest group we've ever brought here but it's also the first time we've come on a mission like this immediately after our convention in Canada," she said.

She was particularly proud that, for the first time in the organization's history, two women had run for president, and there was also competition for the vice-presidency. "In many women's organizations, people have to be pulled out of the woodwork to take the jobs. We have a dedicated leadership of women who are eager to assume the burden and I think that is something of which we can be justly proud."

She is one of those who has children (two children and six grandchildren so far) living here and has lost count of the number of times she and her husband have visited Israel. "We have an apartment here and spend as much time here as we can, but it's hard for older people like us to uproot ourselves completely, particularly when we still have three children in Canada," she said.

The mission will be here for one week.



## NFL Saints are divine

NEW YORK (AP). - The San Francisco 49ers and the Washington Redskins, who make a habit of being in the playoffs, were joined there on Sunday by the New Orleans Saints.

The Saints' NFL's perennial losers, the team that went 20 years without a winning record?

New Orleans assured itself of at least a wild-card berth on Sunday with a 44-34 victory over Tampa Bay. They are one game behind the 49ers, 23-12 winners at Green Bay, in the NFC West. Washington got into the playoffs for the fifth time in six years with a 34-17 decision at St. Louis.

Chicago clinched the NFC Central with a 30-24 victory over Minnesota.

All three AFC divisions are muddled, with the Central in a three-way tie among Cleveland, Pittsburgh and Houston. Indianapolis helped to create that situation with a 9-7 victory over the Browns, giving the Colts the lead in the East.

Denver's 31-20 decision over New England lifted the Broncos past San Diego, a 33-18 loser at Houston, and Seattle, which was beaten 13-9 in Pittsburgh.

Other results on Sunday were: Atlanta 21, Dallas 16; Cincinnati 30, Kansas City 27 in overtime; The Los Angeles Rams 37, Detroit 16; and the New York Giants 23, Philadelphia 20 in overtime.

In the Steelers 13-9 victory over the Seahawks, Pittsburgh forced a pair of second-half turnovers in its terri-

tory and got 106 yards rushing from Frank Pollard, who scored the deciding touchdown on an 11-yard fourth-quarter run.

The Bengals beat the Chiefs 30-27 in overtime.

### AMERICAN CONFERENCE EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Indianapolis	7	5	0	.583	253	198
NY Jets	6	6	0	.500	232	223
Buffalo	6	6	0	.500	229	272
Miami	5	6	0	.455	264	252
New England	5	6	0	.455	241	236

### CENTRAL

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Cleveland	7	5	0	.583	209	185
Houston	7	5	0	.583	290	292
Pittsburgh	7	5	0	.583	236	240
Cincinnati	4	8	0	.333	220	276

### WEST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Denver	8	3	1	.708	314	243
San Diego	5	4	0	.561	230	253
Seattle	5	4	0	.561	299	331
LA Raiders	5	4	0	.561	271	241
Kansas City	2	10	0	.167	199	338

### NATIONAL CONFERENCE EAST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Washington	9	3	0	.750	307	218
Dallas	5	7	0	.417	270	287
Philadelphia	5	7	0	.417	272	318
St. Louis	5	7	0	.417	286	309
N.Y. Giants	4	8	0	.333	216	268

### CENTRAL

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Chicago	10	2	0	.833	329	204
Minnesota	7	5	0	.583	285	278
LA Rams	4	7	1	.375	265	237
Tampa Bay	4	7	1	.375	265	237
Detroit	2	10	0	.167	205	344

### WEST

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
San Francisco	10	2	0	.833	335	246
New Orleans	9	3	0	.750	324	225
LA Rams	5	7	0	.417	263	284
Atlanta	3	9	0	.250	183	338

\*climaxed division title  
\*climaxed playoff berth

## TENNIS

# Mats turns tables on Stefan

NEW YORK (AFP). - To the amazement of everyone present - perhaps including himself - Mats Wilander proved on Sunday that lightning never strikes twice in the same place, as he upset all the pundits by defeating fellow-Swede Stefan Edberg 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 to reach the final of the Grand Prix Masters here for the first time.

Wilander, beaten in straight sets by Edberg in the qualifying group 24 hours earlier, turned the tables on his compatriot in Sunday's semi-final. Ivan Lendl made no mistakes in his match against Brad Gilbert, winning 6-2, 6-4.

Edberg's straight-sets win over Wilander on Saturday, and the way he has been playing since defeating Lendl in the Tokyo final in October, had suggested that the 21-year-old world number two would emerge as the player most likely to endanger Lendl's bid for a record fifth title.

Wilander, however, had other ideas. Composed and concentrated, the 23-year-old from Vaxjo took the initiative from the start, never allowed Edberg to get into his stride, and pocketed the first set in just 38 minutes with three service breaks in a row.

To his credit, Edberg managed to work his way back into the match, improving his percentage of successful first serves in the 44-minute sec-

ond-set and sharpening up his volleying to take the decisive break in the 10th game.

But Wilander stormed back in the third - pressurizing Edberg's serve, as he had done at the start, with some magnificent returns and slamming home some magnificent passing shots whenever his opponent dared to reach the net.

Before Edberg knew what had hit him he was trailing 4-0, and, although he managed to make a self-respect-restoring service break in the eighth game.

But Wilander never looked likely to let the match slip. The third set lasted 30 minutes.

There was never much doubt that Lendl was going to reach his seventh Masters final. The coldly efficient Czech notched up a one-sided win over 26-year-old Gilbert.

Gilbert raised a fleeting hope among the New York crowd by taking Lendl's opening service game. But the world champion immediately tightened up his strokeplay, and, once he was in front, he never looked back, clinching his victory in just 83 minutes.

Lendl later admitted that he had had to guard against underestimating his opponent.

"The match was going easier than I anticipated, and I grew a little bit

lazy towards the end," said perfectionist Lendl, who has now beaten Gilbert in all 14 matches they have played.

"I hope that I can pull it out again for the final. I know it's not going to be easy. I'm sure Mats is not going to miss much. If I can serve well and not make too many errors, then I have a good chance of winning."

Gilbert shrugged off the defeat. "He was blasting in a lot of first serves. He forces you into mistakes because he plays so well from the baseline," he said.

After reaching the final, Wilander claimed that his defeat on Saturday had helped him.

"Yesterday I learned what I had to do," he said, adding, "I knew that I had to be very sharp on hitting my returns and that's what I did today. It made a big difference and I concentrated much better."

Edberg was bewildered by the result. "It feels very strange," he said. "Yesterday I played well. I beat the guy. And the next match I play the same guy in the same tournament and lose. Maybe it was an advantage for him because he had nothing to lose. I got a bad start today. I never really got into the match."

Mats Wilander (Sweden x3) beat Stefan Edberg (Sweden x2) 6-2, 4-6, 6-3. Ivan Lendl (Czech x1) beat Brad Gilbert (USA x1) 6-2, 6-4.

## BASKETBALL

# J'im lose by a point

The hard-luck tale of ever-so-close Hapoel Jerusalem continued last night as they lost yet again by the agonizingly close margin of one point, while Maccabi Ramat Gan, the surprise packet of the season, continued their remarkable run, provided the central features of last night's completed ninth round games of the National Basketball League.

The Jerusalem team are now rooted firmly in the relegation zone as Elitzur Neve David-Ramle edged them out 78-77 in Ramle last night with several changeovers of the lead in the final minutes. Forrest McKenzie with 32 points and Earl Williams chipping in with 25 led the way for Ramle, while Ricky Brown, 20, and Gal Knaz, 19, spearheaded Jerusalem, who were unlucky to have both their big men, Brown and Chris Harrison fouling out several minutes before the end.

At Kfar Hamaacabiah Maccabi Ramat Gan won their sixth straight game, defeating Hapoel Haifa 93-86 to move into fourth spot in the league. Having jumped out to a 20-9 lead they seemed to be assured of a runaway victory, but then, Roland Huston got going for Haifa, and they even managed to pull narrowly ahead 45-44 at the half.

But Ramat Gan's small but brave point-guard, Ami Nawi, ignored a leg injury to come on the second half to keep the home offence moving smoothly and they forged back ahead into the lead which they were never to lose.

In Haifa, Maccabi Haifa defeated hapless Maccabi Netanya 94-62.

### NATIONAL BASKETBALL LEAGUE AFTER 9 ROUNDS

	W	L	F-A	Pts.
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3. Hap. Holon	7	2	817-731	16
4. Mac. Ramat Gan	6	3	768-739	13
5. Elitzur Neve David	5	4	767-767	14
6. Galil Elyon	5	4	621-571	14
7. Elitzur Ramle	4	5	755-790	13
8. Mac. Haifa	4	5	823-832	13
9. Hap. Haifa	3	6	708-732	12
10. Hap. Jerusalem	2	7	774-829	11
11. Hap. Tel Aviv	2	7	788-838	11
12. Mac. Netanya	0	9	646-817	9

### NBA standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE Atlantic Division			
	W	L	Pct.
Boston	11	6	.643
Philadelphia	6	7	.462
Washington	4	11	.267
New York	4	12	.250
New Jersey	2	12	.143

Central Division			
	W	L	Pct.
Chicago	12	5	.706
Atlanta	11	6	.643
Detroit	10	5	.667
Green Bay	10	5	.667
Minneapolis	10	5	.667
Indiana	9	7	.563
Cleveland	6	8	.429

WESTERN CONFERENCE Midwest Division			
	W	L	Pct.
Dallas	9	6	.600
Denver	10	6	.625
Houston	9	7	.563
Utah	9	7	.563
San Antonio	7	8	.469
Sacramento	4	11	.267



RENASCENT. - Mickey Berkowitz reaches again to the stars this season. (Hanoah Guttmann)

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL - Hap. Gilboa 69, Mac. Klymchuk 49; Mac. Tel Aviv 67, Hap. Tel Aviv 61; Hap. Yehuda 104, Hap. Jerusalem 34; Hap. Haifa 70, Elitzur Ramle 71.

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## Fine turnout for marathon

BY JACK LEON

TEL AVIV. - Tomorrow's 11th Tiberias Sea of Galilee International Marathon is being contested by no less than eight men with best times of under 2 hours, 20 minutes for the classic 42-km distance. The eight will be among 150 overseas athletes and 400 Israelis lining up at the Tiberias Plaza Hotel at 9 a.m. for the annual race round the southern perimeter of Lake Kinneret.

The first and the last members of this group are both from Scotland - two-time winner Lindsay Robertson, with a best effort of 2:13.30 and Jim Doug, whose fastest time is 2:19.33. British international long-distance runner Robertson, 29, is a veteran of some 20 marathons in the past five years. In contrast, Doug, 30, only took up the event 15 months ago, and his three outings to date include winning the Reykjavik marathon last August from 250 starters.

"I ran the last 10 kilometres in Iceland all alone, so, without any pressure, only managed 2:19.36. But, with the strong field in tomorrow's race, I am looking for a time of around 2:16," the Aberdeen engineer told me yesterday.

Shemtov Sabag (2:18.23) is the only home runner among the eight fastest men. However, Zehava Shmueli's best marathon time of 2:40.29 makes her the second fastest woman participant behind Finland's Majaja Vuoroniemi (2:39.07).

The oldest entry is Yosef Bein, 79, who has the unique record of having taken part in all 36 marathons so far held in this country (the first goes back to 1936). Bein will be given a two-hour "start" on the rest of the field. He hopes to get home in between six to seven hours.

Another notable - if much younger veteran - is Reuven Finkle, 61, who astonishingly is to attempt the marathon only 11 days after winning the over-60 title at the "Isrotel" Eilat International Triathlon.

There will be a video checkpoint at Kibbutz Ein Gev, halfway mark in the 42-km race where competitors turn round and begin the trek back to Tiberias.

## LAWN BOWLS Bransky advances

BOURNEMOUTH (AFP) - Israel's Cecil Bransky's experience proved crucial as he and Peter Fong of Fiji reached the second round of the world indoor pairs championship here on Sunday.

Bransky and Fong defeated Welshmen Carl Lewis and Clive Taylor 7-4, 0-9, 10-0, 4-8, 6-1. They were joined in the second round by England's Gary Smith and Andy Thomson, the British Isles champions, who recovered from a two-set deficit to defeat Scotland's Hugh Duff and Willie Wood 2-7, 6-8, 6-5, 7-2, 6-5.

petence, an honest failing, rather than the umpire's integrity being questioned."

The English, and indeed international, cricketing authorities, would do well to take a leaf out of rugby's book, as sportswriter Chris Jones explains:

"Over the 1970s, the referees themselves realized that the pressures - the prize-money involved, the publicity - were becoming greater in rugby, and that the best way to avoid any accusations of partisanship was to use neutral officials."

"By last summer's World Cup in New Zealand and Australia, the idea of neutral referees and linesmen had become totally accepted. The eight senior rugby nations each nominated two referees, and the tournament went off without controversy."

Jones notes that, as in cricket, the "officials here felt for a long time that their referees were superior, and they were reluctant to relinquish control of home games. But they realized eventually that there was a natural progression they would be ill-advised to block."

The furore at Lahore has brought cricket, unusually, into the leader columns of the weighty British newspapers, and both *The Times* and *The Independent* have opined that neutral umpires represent the best way to alleviate the "worst crisis since bodyline." There is much to be said, too, for *The Times* idea of an international umpires panel containing "only those who have reached the required standard."

It may be, however, that even the introduction of neutral umpires will do little to prevent further deterioration of the game's gentlemanly traditions.

Boxing, tennis and soccer, to select three sports almost at random, are generally officiated by neutral umpires and referees, but that has not rendered those officials immune from the most ferocious of attacks from players.

In Davis Cup competition, where home linesmen still hold sway, accusations of bias are legion; the British are still boiling over what they regard as appalling misjudgements throughout their tie against Yugoslavia in Zagreb last summer.

But, even in non-representative events, the sight of players hurling rackets to the ground, gesticulating, and even swearing at or threatening umpires and line-judges has been depressingly common for well over a decade.

A shock report on British soccer, meanwhile, has revealed that one in six referees is quitting the sport because of abuse and physical assault. There are 27,000 referees in the UK, and the annual 4,500 drop-out rate is far higher than the Football Association can compensate for, however intensive its recruitment campaigns.

Most Football League programmes now regularly carry advertisements for training refs, but a high percentage of each new intake drop out soon after they reach the middle.

The FA official dealing with referees, Reg Paine, admits that the increasing number of assaults, mainly in the game's lower echelons - with referees losing teeth or being cut in the face by flying fists - is simply driving officials away from soccer.

Among the most disgraceful scenes to stain sport in many a month took place at Wembley only last week, when a young boxer named Bobby Frankham took matters literally into his own hands when referee Richie Davis stopped his bout after a first round in which he had twice been felled. Frankham found Davis an easier target than opponent Billy Sims, and got in a couple of useful right hooks to the ref's face before his own corner managed to restrain him.

Frankham apologised later for his "brainstorm," but later was really too late, and he now faces a life ban. The common factor in all these umpiring abuses is pressure. Sport is now such colossal business that millions hinge on the cricket umpire's finger, the tennis line-judge's call, the soccer referee's whistle.

The presence of a neutral official denies players the claim of bias, and as such is to be recommended, but the real problem lies not with the officials, but with the participants.

Clearly, they are increasingly incapable of coping with the relentless pressure to succeed, to satisfy sponsors, please crowds, swell bank-balances. Money is a dirty business, and now that big money is stamped all over sport, no game, not even cricket it seems, can really be "cricket" anymore.

## More disputes mar 2nd. Test

FAISALABAD (Reuters) - Two decisions, resulting in the dismissal of Graham Gooch for 28 and Bill Athey for 27 to questionable catches close to the wicket, marred the first day of the second Test between England and Pakistan here. Gooch stayed at the crease a few seconds before walking.

But Chris Broad put his unhappy experience in the First Test against Pakistan behind him yesterday with a patient century as England made a solid 254 for four on the first day.

The opener batted throughout the day to end on 101 not out. He shared three stands of over 50, the most productive and exciting being 117 in 29 overs with skipper Mike Gatting.

England were in cautious mood after the debacle of Lahore, where they lost the first test by an innings and 87 runs amid a welter of accusations about the umpiring.

Wrist-spinner Abdul Qadir, who took 13 for 101 in Lahore, ended with three wickets yesterday. But he conceded 92 runs and came in for some severe punishment from Gatting and Broad.

Broad last scored a test century against Australia nearly a year ago at Melbourne and has been going through a lean period. His troubles came to a head during the first test when he was given out caught off Qadir for the second time in the match.

Broad refused to leave the crease until coaxed off by Graham Gooch and received an official reprimand from team manager Peter Lush for disporting the Pakistani umpire's decision.

In Brisbane, Australia built on their triumph in the one-day World Cup to outplay New Zealand winning the first Test by nine wickets yesterday.

Australia, needing 94 runs to win after dismissing New Zealand for 212, won with more than a day to spare when Dean Jones clubbed spinner Dipak Patel to the midwicket boundary to take his side to 97 for one.

The victory was only Australia's fifth in 34 Tests, and was the first at SCORES:



# Friendly Melbourne

Maurice Chayen

MELBOURNE's Jewish community is probably unequalled in any other part of the world. We had come from Wellington, New Zealand, where I spent a semester at the university. Australia was to have been only a staging interlude on our way back to London and Israel.

Sydney, we were told, is far more beautiful than Melbourne, though Melbourne has a larger Jewish community, "but you can see all you need in a week in either town. In the event, we spent the statutory week in Sydney, but Melbourne kept us for four full months. We arrived not knowing a soul, but so great is Jewish Melbourne's hospitality that we left feeling we knew everybody.

Melbourne's Jewish "Golden Mile" is actually in the close suburbs of the city, specifically East St. Kilda's and Caulfield. As instructed, we made a bee-line on arrival for Carlisle Street for our kosher supplies. We had a choice of four butcher shops. From Butcher A, only the Lubavitchers will buy; from Butcher B only the Adas Yisroel; Butcher C serves the Mizrahi; and Butcher D has the Beth Din *hechsher*, which A, B and C customers share.

Heimisch Bagels Bakery or Glick's Kosher Cookies will sell you all the bread and pastries you ever dreamed of, while the "Noshery" provides take-away goodies of all kinds. Rabbi Seidenberg's "Hakol" supermarket displays a notice "Not all the goods on sale here carry a *hechsher*." Only on Motz'ei Shabbat, one shop fellow tells you, "can you buy Israeli fetafel here."

The "Golden Mile" begins at the end of Carlisle, which becomes Balclava St. Within this area, you have four large, but separate, extraordinarily active, vibrant communities. Right on the Carlisle-Hotham St. junction is the Lubavitch complex: the yeshiva, the *kolel*, the synagogue, a boys' and a girls' school, a kindergarten. Half the population seem to be employed as teachers in one of these institutions. A mile up the road is the Mizrahi shul and its attached Yavneh School.

We lived half-way up Balclava. On Shabbat when the service lasted three hours including Rabbi Zaitchek's *droshe*, I davened regularly at the Mizrahi shul, with its plush, cinema-style seats; on weekdays I would daven at Lubavitch, since I could pop over after services to Glick's bakery and take home hot bagels for breakfast. To the right (in both senses) of these two, you have the Adas shul: Polish, Hungarian, mixed Hassidish. Here you get carried away by the fervor of the davening and its high-decibel content.

THE MOST IMPRESSIVE achievement of the Melbourne community is in education. Some 70 per cent of all Jewish children attend Jewish day schools, the largest and



A caricature of Sir Benjamin Benjamin, Lord Mayor of Melbourne (1887-89) and head of the Melbourne Hebrew Congregation done by Phil May.

most affluent being the Mount Scopus School which covers some square miles of real-estate and has over 2,000 pupils. The day schools, particularly Mt. Scopus and Yavneh, are constantly recruiting teachers from Israel, and *stulim*, particularly for Jewish studies, constitute an important nucleus of their teaching staffs.

Equally impressive for such a remote outpost is the quantity and high-level quality of Jewish scholars and scholarship produced here. A tangible indication of this is *Kol HaDorom*, a quarterly publication issued by the Lubavitch *kolel*, containing articles in English and in Hebrew on Halacha, much of it of practical interest, in particular problems specific to Australia, such as those dealing with crossing the international dateline. A smaller counterweight to the Hassidic influence is a Misnagdic *Yeshiva* and *kolel* opened recently in Carlisle Street as a branch of the American Lake-

wood yeshiva. We found in Melbourne a demonstration of true pluralism. Although each group maintains and promotes its own ideology, mutual respect reigns: the leaders of the separate groups are men of stature and character. Rabbi Groner, head of the Lubavitch complex, who doesn't even occupy a conspicuous place of honor in the synagogue, knows the name of every person he has met and goes out of his way backstage to provide kindness and comfort to those in need; a great orator and teacher.

Zionist activity is centered in Weizmann House, in St. Kilda's Road, a main Melbourne thoroughfare. It is an impressive four-story building which also houses a well-stocked library and offices of the Jewish National Fund, *aliya* assistance, "Jewish" tourism, and Friends of the Hebrew University office. On one visit we encountered a large group of Melbourne nurses being briefed

there preparatory to an organized visit to Jerusalem's Hadassah Hospital and Medical School.

Centrally situated, too, is a beautifully appointed Jewish old-age home, and in Albert Road the East Melbourne Synagogue, now listed as a national monument. More modern, very ornate, is the Toorak Synagogue which also houses the Jewish Museum. A radio programme of Jewish interest is broadcast three times a week in Hebrew and in English.

The veterans in the Jewish communities of Melbourne and Victoria are typified by the Feigen family, the first of whom founded the fruit-growing and canning industry in Shepparton, north of Melbourne. They arrived from Lithuania via Palestine, which they left while it was still under Turkish rule. Fruit marketing required boxes for packaging, which led the family to branch out into forestry and timber mills.

The immigrants are typified by the Bachrach and Manfied Levy families, whose contribution both to the Australian economy and the promotion of Jewish institutions was founded on commerce and industry. Both arrived in Melbourne as deportees (euphemistically called *evacees*) from Britain, where they had been interned as enemy aliens, having managed to get out of Hitler's Germany at the 11th hour.

When a German invasion of England seemed imminent in 1940, some 2,000 internees were put aboard the infamous *Dunera* and shipped to Australia, where they arrived penniless. (Another shipload was sunk en route.) Many of them built up their new lives and became a substantial nucleus to be reinforced five years later by a further wave of immigrants, remnants of the Holocaust.

The experience, sufferings, and efforts of all these groups have produced what is today's consolidated, integrated, and dynamic Jewish community of Melbourne. Though remote from Europe and America, this is no backwater of Judaism. The enterprising spirit that has earned considerable affluence for a large part of the population is also used to provide essential services for the general and the Jewish public.

The Bachrach founded an efficient "Meals on Wheels" service for the old and the disabled. Voluntary service for the community is part of the life-style of Melbourne Jewry. Erik and Erika Weilburg, he, too, a deportee immigrant from the *Dunera*, now aged 74, take off on their pedal cycles daily to the Jewish Hospital and Old Age Home to serve those less fit than themselves.

Among the many families we met, I cannot recall a single one that was not closely involved with Israel, visiting frequently, in spite of the distance, either children or parents who have settled here.

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## QUOTE

The importing of a diaspora non-Orthodoxy is an improvement over the atheism of the secularists... And the worst possible place to fight the ideological war between Orthodox and non-Orthodox is by use of coercion by the state. A faith must win adherents by the behaviour of its devotees and the effectiveness of its instruction. There is no other way in the modern era, and I am not so sure that there ever was another way.

Emanuel Rackman, Chancellor of Bar-Ilan University, in the New York Jewish Week.

# Revolutionary or disingenuous

David Horowitz/London

LONDON.—The Jewish People is slowly tearing itself apart, says Rabbi Sidney Brichio. Different Halachic criteria in areas such as conversion and divorce are widening the already fearsome split between Orthodox and non-Orthodox, and it's about time, he believes, that someone did something about it.

To that end, Brichio, long-time director of the Union of Liberal and Progressive Synagogues here, recently published a set of quite astonishing proposals aimed at "trying to remove the log-jam, to make some headway."

Put simply, he has offered "to entrust the Halacha to the Orthodox."

Speaking in a purely personal capacity, he has suggested that the Orthodox be allowed "to validate Reform and Liberal decisions on conversion, the granting of a *get*, remarriage when a *get* is difficult to obtain, and *mamzerut*."

It is a suggestion that has been described variously as revolutionary and disingenuous, and it has so far garnered little in the way of public endorsement from either Orthodox or Progressive leaders.

Brichio is not surprised—he more than half-expected outright rejection from both camps—but he is still hopeful.

"All I'm saying is that we've talked before, so now let's talk again. If there is a positive response to what I'm saying, then we can take it further. If there's no positive response, then we'll all be able to see who's dividing the community."

Setting out his ideas in a long article in the *Jewish Chronicle* a few weeks ago, Brichio wrote, "It would be an act of abhorrent and unforgivable self-destruction were we not to find the means of agreeing on a unifying Halacha in those areas which divide Jew from Jew and lead

to enmity and internecine strife.

"Because the Orthodox have retained the structure of Halacha for the sake of *Klal Yisrael*," he went on, "I am prepared to accord them the responsibility of finding the means to enable all religious sections to achieve a standard practice" on fundamental issues such as conversion.

In accepting this offer, he stated, the Orthodox must undertake to administer the Halacha with "humility, compassion, ingenuity, creativity and, above all, a love for *Klal Yisrael*."

Of course, there's the rub. For Brichio advocates that the law be bent "to its breaking point for ethical purposes in the conviction that God has given us the law for life and not for death."

He says the Orthodox rabbis "will need to reconsider the demands" they make on would-be converts, and adopt "a more lenient attitude."

And he suggests that in cases where a *get* cannot be obtained, "the Orthodox Beth Din would have to find loopholes to nullify the marriage."

Such compromises, clearly, are anathema to the Orthodox. One Orthodox leader, who preferred not to be identified, told *The Jerusalem Post* that he regarded Brichio's formulations as, "a definite case of giving with one hand and taking away with the other."

"Brichio talks as if he's just discovered America, but he's well aware that we engaged in protracted negotiations with the Progressive movement 10 years ago, and were stymied by their refusal to move."

"There's a certain lack of candour here," he added, "and there's an awful lot to be read between the lines."

Brichio admits that even within his own movement there has been "some misguided criticism" of his proposals "from people who believe that we'd be handing our rights over to the Orthodox."

But he insists that that is not true. "I am suggesting that we give the Orthodox the opportunity to formalize our conversions and marriages. In no way are we surrendering our authority."

The feeling among Liberal leaders who support Brichio is that many Orthodox rabbis would be keen to speak out in his favour if they weren't afraid of their colleagues' reaction. So far, at least, has been silent in the Orthodox camp.

Chief Rabbi Sir Immanuel Jakobovits is reluctant to be drawn into any sort of confrontation over the issue, but points out that he is "constantly exploring and probing proposals aimed at repairing the awesome breach" between the various sections of the community.

"There is no doubt that the matter is grave, the dangers immense. There are thousands of thousands of Jews around the world whose Judaism is in doubt."

"We don't lack for recognition of the problem," he stresses. "If you break Shabbat, you can at least keep it next time. But if you marry out, there's no way back."

For all the professed awareness of the consequences of continued disunity, it does not seem yet as if Brichio's proposals have brought the sides any closer together.

Perhaps the lack of immediate reaction is a sign that Anglo-Jewish spiritual leaders are having a protracted think before they speak, and that even if Brichio has not found a solution, he has at least offered a starting point for a new round of discussion.

# Zionism, anyone?

Eliezer Whartman

AT A TIME when the delegates to the 31st World Zionist Congress are meeting in Jerusalem debating issues affecting the Jews of Israel and the Diaspora, a personal account of what happened to one Zionist may be instructive.

In 1960 I began writing a column from and about Israel for a number of Anglo-Jewish weeklies in the U.S. and Canada. Over a period of time their number grew.

After the Yom Kippur War and the revelations of Israel's disastrous unpreparedness for it came to light, my columns began to take on a sharper tone, particularly when the government, headed by a woman who was little short of a goddess to American Jewry, fought tooth and nail to remain in office.

I noticed that a number of my papers were running some columns and not others. Most of the deletions were taking place in newspapers owned or controlled by local Jewish federations.

(A Jewish federation is the local committee, usually made up of leaders of the local synagogues, branches of major Jewish organizations, fraternal societies, and philanthropists, that sets the goal for the UJA fund-raising campaign in the community and decides on how the money is to be allocated. The division is usually about 60 per cent for Israel (including a small amount for Jewish communities at risk throughout the world) and 40 per cent for local Jewish needs.)

On querying the weeklies about their policy of picking and choosing among my columns, I got a disturbing response: "We feel," said the editors, "that a number of your columns are counter-productive. They don't help our local campaign." One

editor in a large city on the eastern seaboard put it even more succinctly: "Our task is to raise funds," he wrote, "and anything that interferes with that is disruptive." This, despite all its printed claims that the paper was "objective in its portrayal of life in Israel," priding itself on its "analytical comprehensive reporting."

After tiring of the continuous battles with the editors, I informed them that I didn't need the money that badly.

More and more Anglo-Jewish papers are being taken over by the local federations. They have the advertising and the financing and, what's more, they distribute the papers free to families that contribute to the UJA.

To ensure that that campaign is successful, all dissent is stifled. You simply do not criticize the synagogues, major Jewish organizations, the Zionists, the Lubavitcher rebbe, Hadassah, the local charities, any pillars of the community, or God forbid, Israel. A monolithic front must be presented to the non-Jewish community. No rocking the boat.

THE WEEKLY reaches many, if not most, of the Jewish homes in the community. Occasionally a teenager will thumb through it to see what is happening in the Jewish world.

He is struck by the fact that an abnormal amount of space is devoted to people who are collecting or contributing funds, that the pages are full of photos and stories about the wealthier—not necessarily most literate—members of the community. He finds little in the paper that

appeals to his intellect. He concludes that his parents are worshipping Mammon.

He senses that the leaders of the community are totally uninterested in such mundane matters as *aliya*, in searching for a more meaningful religion, in improving Jewish education, in striving to come to grips with what Judaism should have to say on social issues.

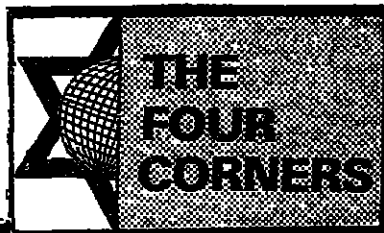
He has grown up in a home where Israel was totally peripheral—a far-away land to which one is expected to contribute funds to enable penniless refugees to settle. More than that the country has little to say to him.

When the teenager, now a high-school graduate, takes himself off to a university, he is more likely than not to keep away from any Jewish organization on campus, and to avoid any contact with the local Jewish community. If he survives intermarriage on the collegiate level, the chances are only 50-50 that he will identify with any Jewish organization, be it a synagogue or community centre, or even contribute to the UJA.

Meanwhile the Israel government leaders, the heads of the WZO-Jewish Agency, the *askanim* (functionaries) in the Jewish federations are all waiting: Where are our young people? Why haven't they joined us?

Since the state was established there have been 10 Zionist congresses. The last five have been especially sterile. Never have so many done so little for so long. As for the major item to which the members should address themselves—*personal aliya*—there is only silence.

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Australian synagogue in distress The Launceston Synagogue in Tasmania, Australia, built in 1846, is the second oldest in the southern hemisphere—and it is in need of restoration. Donations (made payable to Launceston Synagogue Restoration Appeal) are tax-deductible in Australia. Additional funds are needed for rewiring and replumb-

ing, and for a new heating system. Donations for these items are not tax-deductible in Australia and should be made payable to the Launceston Hebrew Congregation. All donations should be mailed to the congregation at P.O. Box 66, Launceston, Tasmania, Australia 7250.

Controversy over garbage: Dutch Jews, whose vigorous protests prevented the presentation of the anti-Semitic play by Rainer Werner Fassbinder, "Garbage, the City, and Death," are concerned that they may have unleashed an anti-Semitic backlash in Holland. The play was withdrawn after its scheduled performance on the night of Nov. 18 was aborted when Jew-

ish demonstrators occupied the stage at the Lantern Theatre.

But the controversy, which had raged for two months and enlisted many non-Jews on the side of the protesters, has aroused some strong opinions. The weekly *Hague Post* published a Dutch translation of the play three weeks ago and was sold out almost as soon as it hit: the newsstands. Local *avilies* are filled with letters to the editors, most of which express the view that the Jews who suffered so much themselves should not have resorted to "Nazi methods" to prevent freedom of expression.

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## CINEMA PERFORMANCES

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## ECONOMIC OPINION/Elmer L. Winter

## Another dimension to Zionism

As Israel celebrates her 40th anniversary, I suggest that the time has come for Diaspora Jewry to develop a new mindset that says "Israel needs our help in building the economy to a point where she can become financially independent of outside funding."

This requires each of us to commit ourselves to the principle that "it's good business to do business in Israel."

Expansion of business relationships will produce a new form of aliyah... an economic aliyah.

Increased investments in Israel by foreign companies will provide new jobs that will attract engineers, scientists and managers from abroad. Additional R&D projects conducted by overseas corporations in Israel will stop the flow of Israel's best and brightest, who are leaving the country to find jobs abroad.

I have been in Israel these past two weeks working with many Israeli corporate executives to help them expand their markets abroad. As has been the case during all my recent visits to Israel, I am deeply impressed by the high quality of Israel's engineers and scientists. Israel can truly be called "The In Place for Innovation." This unique asset that Israel possesses is providing new breakthroughs in many of the 150 U.S. companies at work in Israel.

In my talks with many Israeli business executives, I am constantly asked these questions: "Why can't Israel attract more successful Jewish-owned businesses to open factories in Israel... provide new technologies and help us open markets in the USA?" They ask: "Why are Jewish business executives from abroad limiting their support and assistance to Israel to philanthropy? How do we convince them to do business in Israel?"

I have struggled with these questions for the past 11 years, since we created the Committee for Economic Growth of Israel - a non-profit



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organization dedicated to expanding business relationships between American and Israeli business executives.

Have we said to Diaspora Jewry: "Give to UJA and buy Israel Bonds since that is the extent of your obligation to help Israel become financially independent?"

That may have been the impression that has been created. If it is, this is the time for a change, time for a new mindset! Israel needs to go beyond charity to build a viable economy.

Let me make it clear that I am not suggesting that anyone do business in Israel on a charity basis. I do claim, however, that the 150 U.S. companies at work in Israel present proof positive that profits can be earned in Israel. If this were not the case these American companies would close shop and leave the country.

It's time for American Jewish non-profit organizations to add another dimension to their agendas: "Help Israel to become financially independent."

Each organization should appoint an "economic task force" whose charge it will be to set up programs to:

1. Bring business missions to Israel to show them the new Israel - the exciting factories put up by Intel, National Semiconductor, Motorola, Teva, etc. These missions should include the setting up of business appointments and the start of negotiations leading to investments, exports, R&D, etc.

2. Expand Project Renewal programs to include attracting a local company to open a factory in their Project Renewal area. Providing pay cheques to those who live in Project Renewal areas is preferable to handing out welfare cheques.

3. Develop programmes where their members are urged to buy products made in Israel when they do their shopping.

4. Arrange for local retailers to feature Israeli products in specially designed "Israel Week" programmes.

Can foreign companies succeed in working through the red tape in Israel? There is no question that Israel could and should eliminate some of the laws that are troublesome. On the positive side, I do see some effort being made to get government off the back of the exporters.

New opportunities exist for foreign investors as a result of the unique Free Trade Agreement (FTA) between the U.S. and Israel. We should not let the benefits of FTA recede to the back burner.

As we celebrate Israel's 40th anniversary, let's commit ourselves to helping Israel build her economy. A magnificent job has been done by the Israelis in putting their economic house in order. Let's now place a high priority on helping Israel move from economic stability to economic growth. This will add strength and an increased sense of purpose to Zionism.

Elmer L. Winter is the chairman of the Committee for Economic Growth of Israel. He is the past president of Manpower Inc.

## 'Computerized data transfer boon for exporters'

By KEN SCHACHTER  
For The Jerusalem Post  
TEL AVIV. - Exporters seeking an edge in the fiercely competitive world of international trade must begin to attack paperwork and administrative costs, said R.J. Walker, chief executive of Sitpro, an exhibitor at this week's Export 87 exposition.

Walker, whose firm sits within Britain's Ministry of Industry and Trade and is assigned to promote simpler international trade, said ex-

porters could cut by 95 per cent the roughly NIS 6 required to write an invoice if they adopted electronic data interchange (EDI) techniques.

EDI, he told a Beit Sokolov press conference yesterday, provides for the direct transmission of administrative and trading transactions among companies and agencies via computer.

Current practices of moving data from one form to the next, he said, often leads to costly errors. For example, half of all letters of credit

essential in trade, have been found to have an error, he said, and 33 per cent of documents are flawed.

Sitpro, whose local agent is Isra- pro, offers software designed to ease data transfer from one form to another.

Export 87, scheduled to run from today through Thursday at the Tel Aviv Fairgrounds, will attract about 20 per cent more exhibitors than the previous such meeting two years ago, organizer Asa Talbar said yesterday.

## Vessels cost NIS10 million

## Dispute over crew size keeps new tugs tied up

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
HAIFA. - A tug of war over the manning of two new port tugs is to start this week.

The powerful tugboats were delivered to the Ports Authority six weeks ago by Israeli Shipyards, which built them at a cost of some NIS10 million. They have been laid up since over crew size differences between the authority and the committee of its marine department.

They want to sail the tugs with the same, four-man crews, that operate the older tugs they are to replace, while the authority holds that the German designers had specifically planned the new tugs for three-man crews.

Negotiations on the issue were delayed because the authority had its hands full ending the protracted stevedores sanctions, which had largely

paralyzed the ports.

"Now we're ready to talk tug," Ports Authority spokesman, Yair Bar-Mashiah, told The Jerusalem Post. He foresaw the possibility of an interim period of four-man crews, until the men are convinced that three men can easily handle the powerful boats the ports now need to cope with bigger ships.

Bar-Mashiah stressed that in line with current practice, there would be no dismissals as a result of the smaller crews, only voluntary retirement. He noted that in the past decade the authority had reduced the ports staff by 2,000 men without one firing.

A third tug of the same type is due to be completed by the shipyards in May and, after the manning question is settled, the Ports Authority intends ordering an even more powerful one to augment its fleet.

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

## Rise in tourism from Scandinavia

By GREER FAY CASEMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Tourism from Scandinavia and Finland has increased by 28 per cent over last year's figures, Yaron Sadan, head of the Israel Government Tourist Office in Scandinavia reported to Tourism Minister Avraham Shafir. By the end of this year, the number of Scandinavian tourists is expected to be around 85,000, of whom 20,000 during this season alone, have flown directly to Eilat.

The total number of tourists from Scandinavia has doubled in a four year period. The demand for seats on planes flying to Israel has caused SAS to increase its weekly flights from four to six; and El Al to increase its flights from Scandinavia to Israel from four to five. The additional flights will be operational from Spring 1988.

## New water sports centre for TA

Galei Aviv Ltd., which is about to begin construction of a water-sports and camping centre in Park Hayarkon's Ganei Yehoshua section, signed an agreement last week allocating 50 per cent of the stock to Isras (Israel-Rassco Investment Company Ltd.) The agreement must be approved by Tel Aviv's mu-

nicipality and Ganei Yehoshua Hayarkon Park Ltd.

The centre is to be the largest and most sophisticated of its kind in Israel. It will cover 85 dunams, and offer 850 hotel beds, coffee-houses and restaurants. The centre will also have more than 2,500 parking spaces. Total investment in the project is expected to reach approximately \$10 million.

## Big Wizo budget

Wizo's 1988 budget will reach NIS \$6.5 million as opposed to NIS 70.6 million last year.

Most of the expenditure is earmarked for the care of 40,000 children in the organization's day-care centres, agricultural and vocational schools and Wizo youth clubs.

## Elite exports soar

Elite has completed a delivery of chocolate products worth \$5 million to England, the U.S. and Canada, according to a company spokesman. This represents a 10 per cent increase over a similar delivery last year.

According to Frankel, chocolate consumption in Israel rose by 50 per cent last winter. A significant increase was also noted in the purchase of fancier chocolates, whereas purchase of popular labels dropped to 25 per cent of the company's total sales, he added.

## Tax cheats punished

A Netanya Magistrates Court recently sentenced contractor Agabrie Nimar of Taibe to five months in jail and fined him NIS 5,000 for failing to file his income tax return on time and for submitting false reports.

Nimar had not reported income for four years starting in 1980 nor did he respond on time to an assessment officer's request to file a tax report, the court found.

Taxi driver Ephraim Meir of Moshav Ibn Sapir near Jerusalem was arrested for 48 hours by the Jerusalem police after it was proven that he had not declared to income tax for dollar-loans which he gave at 7 per cent monthly interest.

After receiving information about the loans, investigators from the income tax department questioned Meir at length and, upon searching his home, discovered security bonds, checks, gold jewellery given to the cab driver as collateral, and deposits for repayment.

Meir was released on bond and prohibited from leaving the country.

## Third Lufthansa office opening in Jerusalem

By GREER FAY CASEMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Lufthansa is commemorating the 20th anniversary of its operations in Israel by spreading its wings. The company is this week inaugurating a Jerusalem branch office which will be managed by Chana Cytron.

The company's other Israel offices are in Tel Aviv and Haifa. When Lufthansa opened its first Israel office in Tel Aviv in 1968, there was considerable public opposition. Although El Al was already flying to Germany, the overwhelming majority of Israelis were unhappy about having the German national air carrier represented in this country.

Gradually people got used to the idea, especially business travellers who were interested in promoting their own interests at the many of international fairs taking place in Germany.

From two flights a week from Israel to Germany, Lufthansa advanced to 10 flights a week in summer and nine in winter. During its first year in Israel, Lufthansa carried 1,200 passengers in both directions.

The passenger load has increased enormously, and in the first nine months of this year totalled 95,961 representing a 17 per cent increase over last year's figures for the same period. Currently, Lufthansa has more flights out of Israel than any other foreign airline. Throughout the years, its total passenger load in

round figures has been 1,200,000 on the Israel-Germany route.

The representative in Israel for the German National Tourist Board, Lufthansa has introduced Israelis to an extraordinary number of budget-priced vacation packages to Germany. The present winter holiday catalogue of hotels, inns, boarding houses, holiday villages, chalets and apartments in regions all over Germany offers an incredible array of accommodation bargains starting at below DM 150 for seven nights bed and breakfast per single.

On the other side of the coin, Lufthansa is proud to have brought so many German tourists to Israel. For several years now, Germany has led the field in European tourism to Israel. 128,300 German tourists came here between January and September this year. This was a 29 per cent upswing from the parallel period last year. France is in second place with 126,500 tourists; representing a 15 per cent increase and the United Kingdom is on a 17 per cent upwards curve with 112,300 tourists.

Lufthansa's Israeli clientele is also growing. Nowadays, some 35-40 per cent of the passengers on the Israel-Germany-Israel route are Israelis. In addition to business travellers and bona fide tourists, there are also many Israeli passengers - especially those of German origin, who go to Germany to benefit from the famous health spas.

## Netivei Ayalon seeks more funds

By JONATHAN KARP  
TEL AVIV. - Dan Holtzman, managing director of Nitivei Ayalon Ltd., is to meet with Finance Ministry officials today in an effort to convince them to allocate funds to resuscitate the road building company.

Most of the company's budget for this fiscal year ran out on December

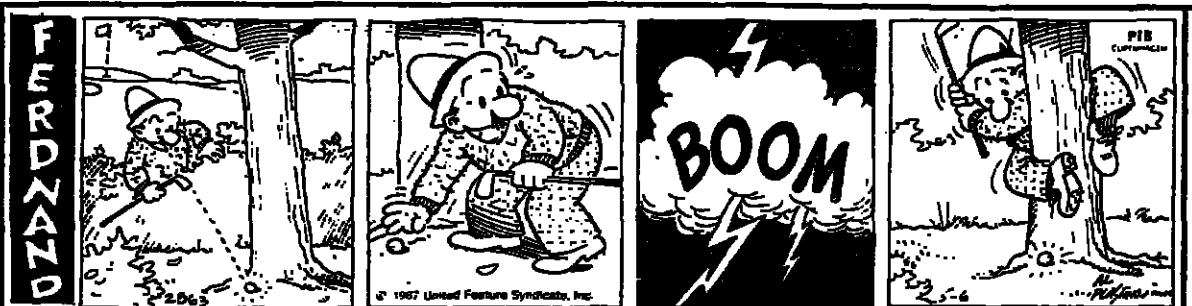
1, forcing it to stop all but two of its projects.

Over the weekend, Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat promised to advance NIS 3 million to Nitivei Ayalon from next year's budget. The Tel Aviv municipality provides 25 per cent of Nitivei Ayalon's, while 75 per cent comes from the Transport Ministry.

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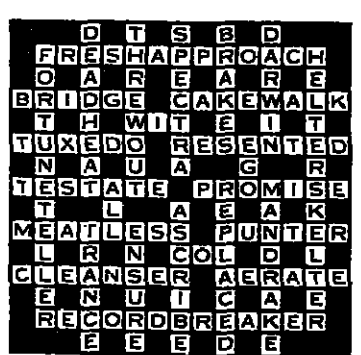


## CROSSWORD

## ACROSS

- 1 Advertisement carried for food and accommodation (8-5)
- 10 Last letter to leave pirates' base shows hardship (7)
- 11 Copper in fancy robes? Unheard of! (7)
- 12 Gentle child's play (4)
- 13 He will contract with operator to say it (5)
- 14 Top dressing for an Indian dish? (4)
- 17 Trial audience (7)
- 18 Male but unusually fickle (7)
- 19 The case for the comprehensive school? (4-3)
- 22 Fainted away yet still hold (7)
- 24 Suffering from strain (4)
- 25 Our ancestor's way of looking at things? (5)
- 26 Study time makes an impression (4)
- 29 Does it make some of the creeper go laterally? (7)
- 30 Rent-a-party storm (7)
- 31 Lightest of brushes for a daily (7-5)
- 2 Condition uncharacteristic of a jumbo? (7)
- 3 Academic point made (4)
- 4 Reserved sort in the main? (7)
- 5 Clyde, for example, has cowl over chimney (7)
- 6 Where in France the way is to depose (4)
- 7 Noise of cast that can be forced (7)
- 8 Help to improve delivery (6,7)
- 9 Tontine is made into settlement (13)
- 15 Gold sovereign of old (5)
- 16 Stick for officers (5)
- 20 Lake Alfalfa (7)
- 21 25 that is involved in ancestry (7)
- 22 How the spirit is weakened? (7)
- 23 Mean to declare seniority (7)
- 27 Attack Nanny perhaps (1)
- 28 Mainly Hibernian, this flag (4)

## Yesterday's Solutions



ACROSS: 1 Melon, 4 Collie, 9 Radical, 10 Lucie, 11 Gang, 12 Revelry, 13 Wry, 14 Deme, 16 Oryx, 18 Wan, 20 Epistle, 21 Shoe, 24 Thigh, 26 Revival, 28 Trendy, 27 Lunch. DOWN: 1 Mirage, 2 Laden, 3 Nice, 5 Oblivion, 6 Locally, 7 Evelyn, 8 Glory, 13 Wretched, 15 Falfice, 17 Septet, 18 Weary, 19 Wealth, 22 Haven, 23 Oval.

## QUICK CROSSWORD

## ACROSS

- 7 Irish capital (6)
- 8 Frozen waste (6)
- 10 Free time (7)
- 11 Weapon (5)
- 12 Roman robe (4)
- 13 Noodles (5)
- 17 Hidden store (5)
- 18 Sunken fence (2-2)
- 22 Sensational (5)
- 23 Stock thief (7)
- 24 Larder (6)
- 25 Hail (6)

## DOWN

- 1 Flatter (7)
- 2 Condense (7)
- 3 Shakespeare's Andronicus (5)
- 4 Thrub (7)
- 5 Special (2,3)
- 6 Rice field (5)
- 9 Signalling system (9)
- 14 She opened the box (7)
- 15 Unfeeling (7)
- 16 Shooting-smith (7)
- 19 Inclined (6)
- 20 Main force of attack (5)
- 21 Try (6)

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MARKET PLACE  
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## The Mood (1)

"This area has been nuked." That was the bottom line of a battlefield assessment of the Wall Street scene by what may legitimately be called a "well-placed observer" thereof.

The "observer" was the editor of one of the U.S. financial community's most prestigious publications, and his conclusion — made in the quiet trading days of late November — was spoken more in sorrow than in anger. His main point was that while the effect of the October market crash on the general economy was not yet clear, for the financial sector the damage has been devastating indeed: "It will take years to recover," in his words.

Thus the renewed slump in the share market that occurred last week came as no surprise to him, or indeed to most other people in and around Wall Street. If anything, they were waiting for it, and are more relieved that it has happened.

The stream of articles during November that laid bare what really happened on the financial 15th and 20th of October made everyone painfully aware just how frail the entire financial structure is.

What was revealed, in a nutshell, was that by midday of the 20th the main markets had simply seized up, with no buyers available, so that panic had led directly to paralysis. If the Federal Reserve had not pumped in money to keep the banks and brokers afloat, and if a host of companies had not utilized their cash reserves to buy their own shares, there really is no knowing what might have happened.

But whether the market's determination to fulfill the chartists' demands and "test the October lows" is sufficient, or whether prices will head on down, will only become clear over the coming weeks — perhaps not until the New Year.

What is certain is that the mood in what is still, *pace* the Japanese, the most important financial center in the world, is as black as sin. The exaggerated optimism of the boom years has been replaced by equally exaggerated pessimism for the future. Hence the use of nuclear technology, as a method of conveying that the matter at hand is a total, overwhelming disaster, probably threatening the future of the human race. Thus, Wall Street has been "nuked," because of the "market meltdown," and the "fallout" will surely spread through the economy, and so on. In the standard American determination to have things on the greatest scale possible, today's starting point is a comparison with the Great Depression of the 1930s. But one suspects that there is a perverse desire for a new crash to be much worse than the pre-war one, if only to justify all the fuss. In this respect, the sheer size of the fall—508 points and 22.5 per cent—got things off to a flying (sic) start.

## RETALIATION

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Arab League summit towards unity and moderation.

The Kuwaiti newspaper *al-Rai al-Aam* reported that Israeli strikes being prepared under the codename "The Arrow" were to include raids on Syria's Soviet-made surface-to-air missile batteries near Damascus and the Lebanese border.

The newspaper, quoting State Department sources, said Israel also planned to attack PFLP-GC bases in Syria and Lebanon.

The newspaper said the Washington sources reported that the Reagan administration did not oppose Israeli strikes against Palestinian targets inside Lebanon, but Israel considered such actions "insufficient." But the U.S. officials quoted by the newspaper denied the U.S. knew where the Israelis planned to attack. "I don't think we know what they're planning," said one.

## Histadrut may accept price hike

By AVI TEMKIN

Histadrut Secretary-General Yisrael Kessar said yesterday at a meeting with Finance Minister Moshe Nissim that he would only agree to an early hike in the price of subsidized goods in exchange for far-reaching changes in the Treasury's proposed state budget for next year.

Kessar told Nissim that the labour federation's consent to the Treasury's proposed two-stage price rise was conditional on the Finance Ministry's agreeing to scrap plans to cut the Education and Health ministry budgets. Kessar also demanded that the 10 per cent surcharge on income tax payments by the top 1 per cent of all wage earners be maintained for one more year. It was due to expire after the current fiscal year.

The Treasury proposed on Sunday to raise the price of basic commodities and public transportation in two stages, a move which would enable it to trim the subsidies it provides for these goods and ser-



Yisrael Kessar (Scoop '80)

## Banks going ahead with prime rise

Post Finance Reporter

The commercial banks are going ahead today with the hike in their prime borrowing rates that they announced last week.

The prime will rise from 1.25 to 1.5 per cent per month, or in annual terms, from 15 to 18 per cent. This will, in turn, raise the price of most loans and overdrafts to consumers and firms alike, since their rates are linked to the prime.

The banks shrugged off suggestions that they hold off from raising rates until the effect of the extra liquidity promised by the Bank of Israel and the Treasury materializes. These funds should bring about a fall in the rate banks pay their depositors — their cost of funds — the rise in which sparked the prime rate increase.

However, yesterday senior bankers repeated that the prime rate rise was a necessary and, in fact, belated, response to the prolonged rise in their cost of funds which reached its peak last week.

Deposit rates for large amounts — the so-called jumbo deposits — held steady yesterday, despite the promises of imminent relief made on Sunday. The first tranche of extra liquidity will be available tomorrow, and no change in rates is expected until after then.

## Treasury blocks bank merger

By AVI TEMKIN

The Treasury has decided to call off the proposed merger between the Agriculture Bank and the Industrial Development Bank.

Ministry sources yesterday told *The Jerusalem Post* the Treasury had decided to go back to square one and to renegotiate the proposed merger with the Industrial Development Bank.

The Ministerial Economic Committee and the Knesset Finance Committee had already approved the proposed merger last October. The government, which owns and runs the Agriculture Bank, would transfer its shares to the Industrial Bank, which is controlled by the commercial banks. A letter granting the Industrial Bank compensation for any debts carried over from the Agriculture Bank was to be issued by the Treasury.

But some weeks ago Finance Minister Moshe Nissim learned about inaccuracies in the report drafted by Treasury officials on the proposed merger. This led him to cancel the original agreement.

## ALBIN

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his personal ties with Albin and not because he was an MK. Harish added that there was nothing to show that Reiser had ever done anything for Albin in the course of his duties.

Gadot, says Harish, received a total of \$30,000 in stocks and options, but was not an MK at the time and no connection had been established between his post as chairman of the Mifal Hapays and the monies given him.

Harish said that he would consider initiating disciplinary proceedings against ITV correspondents Nissim Mishal and Yisrael Segal, who each received \$40,000 from Albin, but added that there was nothing to suggest that they had done anything in return for the monies received.

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package deal on wages worked out earlier this year it needs the consent of the labour federation.

Kessar said it was unthinkable to agree to one part of the Treasury's proposed budget without discussing the other elements. He noted, for instance, that while the Treasury wanted to continue taxing children's allowances for one more year, it also proposed scrapping the 10 per cent surcharge on income earners.

Kessar said he was open to further talks on the subject with Nissim.

But Nissim rejected Kessar's remarks. He told reporters after his meeting with the labour leader that the Treasury still planned to go ahead with the cuts envisioned in its proposed budget. He contended that there was no link between the Education and Health budget proposals and cuts in subsidies.

Nissim said that without the Histadrut's consent on early hikes, there will be need for a steeper rise in April, but he insisted the rise would "orderly" in any case.

## U.S. stocks advance on stronger dollar

NEW YORK (Reuters). - Wall Street stocks, gaining confidence from a steady dollar, rebounded yesterday following Friday's selloff that sent share prices to their lowest levels since the October 19 crash.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was 33 points higher in the last hour of trading at 6 p.m. The surge followed last week's steep losses, totalling 144 points, which took the closely watched index of 30 leading shares close to the lows they hit in the 508-point loss of "Black Monday."

Traders said that, following last week's decline, the market appeared to be at least temporarily oversold.

The stock market was helped by a steady dollar, although traders in that market remained pessimistic about the currency's direction and the health of the U.S. economy. There was a flurry of rumours in the

foreign exchange market on Friday, including one that a realignment of the European Monetary System was possible at the weekend. But this speculation proved groundless. Dealers said they expected conditions to remain subdued until October's U.S. trade report was released on Thursday.

"The strong anti-dollar sentiment has dissipated. But it's going to be hard to get this market to do anything for a while," said a dealer at one British bank in New York.

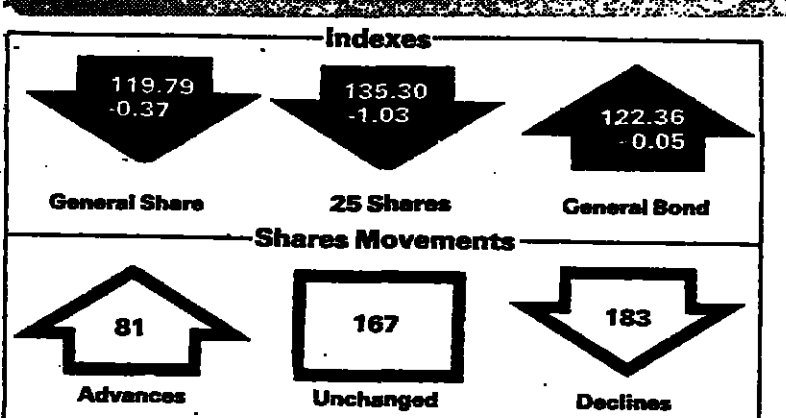
## 2 more Opec states against raising price

VIENNA (Reuters). - Kuwait and Indonesia, two of Opec's most influential members, added their voices yesterday to a growing chorus of opposition to an Iranian demand that the group raise world oil prices next year.

The Indonesian and Kuwaiti oil ministers told reporters on arrival for talks starting tomorrow, which will determine Opec pricing and production policy next year, that they were against raising the prevailing \$18 per barrel price.

Iran wants to raise oil prices to compensate for the fall in the value of the dollar.

## Tel Aviv Stock Exchange



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## Living on borrowed time

THE TREASURY seems to be performing an economic miracle. On the face of it, the stabilization of the economy is being maintained, while the country enjoys a prosperity almost reminiscent of the "happy days" of former finance minister Yoram Aridor over six years ago. With an expected annual inflation rate of about 16 per cent, over three per cent less than last year, there seems to be nothing to worry about.

Finance Minister Moshe Nissim enjoys a popularity that would easily cause envy to a number of his predecessors and his 18 months at the helm of the Treasury are already considered a success story. But a closer look at some of the facts and figures should give cause for concern.

To begin with, the Treasury has been extremely lucky with favourable trends in external economic developments such as the continuous slump of the price of oil, the deterioration of the dollar and the subsequent cuts in interest rates which relieve Israel's external debt burden. At the same time, Israel enjoyed a tourism boom this year, with tourism having risen by 26 per cent during the first eleven months, providing a most welcome increment to our foreign currency earnings.

On the debit side for the economy, wages have reached an unprecedented high, exceeding even the last "good" Aridor year of 1983. According to figures released this week by the Central Bureau of Statistics, wages today are about 29 per cent higher in real terms than they were during the quarter that immediately followed the first real economic stabilization plan of 1985. At the same time, CBS figures show that during 1986 imported consumer goods rose by 65 per cent, followed by a further rise of 30 per cent during the first eleven months of this year.

This brings the rise in imported consumer goods within the past 23 months to 144 per cent, while imported durable goods during the same period rose by 173 per cent. Although the figures are denominated in sliding dollars, they are still alarming.

In trying to keep the achievements of economic stabilization at any price - even at the cost of distorting our economy and morals - we are living on borrowed time. In the process, interest rates have soared to such heights that it has become increasingly difficult for the Bank of Israel - which is backed by the finance minister - to keep finding new excuses for its near bankrupt policy.

No businessman can live with interest rates which have reached 40 per cent in real terms, thus discouraging investment and stunting economic growth. But the government does not seem to care, as long as it keeps the foreign exchange rate artificially low, hurting local industry in turn and encouraging imported consumer goods during an election year.

Meanwhile, the government keeps turning a blind eye to the fact that the average Israeli finances his trips abroad by purchasing foreign currency on the black market. Thus, according to Bank of Israel figures released last week, during the first six months of 1987 each traveller cost the government the ridiculously low figure of \$31.

It seems immoral for a government to suddenly try to wield its power and chastise its citizens for the violation of laws which it has consistently ignored. As usual, all of us will pay the price after the elections.

## DEMILITARIZE STRIP

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searched for the knife-wielding assailant of Shlomo Sakal, slain near Palestine Square on Sunday afternoon.

A curfew on a large area surrounding the murder site continued into the night, with security forces prohibiting entry to or exit from Gaza's downtown commercial district and open-air market.

Other areas of the city were opened to traffic. Although IDF roadblocks and search patrols were in evidence in many areas of the Gaza Strip, the daily exodus of labourers to workplaces in Israel proceeded with only minor delays.

Security sources said that although the Yasser Arafat's "Force 17" has claimed responsibility for the killing, other avenues of investigation are being pursued.

Post Defence Reporter adds: The security forces have apprehended the perpetrators of eight out of every 10 serious terrorist attacks and the terrorists have been duly punished. Defence Minister Rabin said yesterday.

Addressing high-school pupils in Ramat Gan, he added that the success rate of the security services will improve.

Turning to Sunday's murder, he said he believed the attacker was motivated by nationalistic motives, and possibly religious motives. He also said he doubted the attack had been spontaneous.

Rabin stressed terrorism cannot be eliminated in one fell swoop. Those who talk in simplistic terms about immediately rooting out terrorism end up by expressing racist slogans and advocating the Arabs' expulsion. "Where would we expel them to?" he asked. "And let us not forget who was expelled in the past 2,000 years."

## SUPERPOWER SUMMIT

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Shortly before Gorbachev landed, Gerasimov, the Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman, responding to a question on the rally for Soviet Jewry that attracted a crowd of 200,000, sought to deflect attention from the issue by raising the Palestinian refugee question instead.

He said that people at the Madison Hotel, where much of the official Soviet delegation is staying, had asked him following Sunday's Soviet Jewry rally: "Where are the Palestinians who are deprived of their native land, and why didn't they demonstrate?"

Gerasimov, who spoke at a joint news briefing with White House spokesman Martin Fitzwater, added: "So they maybe could make the [Palestinian] point."

Gerasimov rebuffed a questioner's suggestion that the demonstration was anti-Soviet, saying: "I don't think it was an anti-Soviet demonstration. It was a demonstration on one issue, on the issue of Jewish migration. And as I understand, those who took part in this demonstration wanted to make the point, and I think they did... I think they made the point in these demonstrations."

The demonstration was the lead story in major U.S. newspapers yesterday. It was also broadcast prominently on American television.

Gerasimov, responding to other questions, warned against any direct linkage between arms control and other issues, such as human rights

# The Jewish Agency: fantasy and reality

Abba Eban

THERE ARE TWO kinds of tragedy: the tragedy of not reaching a goal and the tragedy of reaching it. The second kind is particularly poignant and complex. It arises when the fulfilment of a dream leaves a vacuum with no sense of future horizon.

This thought takes me back some years to a certain day in July 1948. Israel had become an independent state two full months before, but in the United Nations Security Council, when crucial issues were on the table, we still sat behind a plaque marked "Jewish Agency".

We did not have seven out of 12 votes to get the name of "Israel" in its rightful place. It was infuriating for a state glorying in its new sovereignty to lack the dignity of its name and to have no membership in any international body.

My mandate was to secure Israel's membership in its own name in all the institutions which express the sovereignty of nations and their integration, through a network of specialized agencies, into an evolving world community.

This was not to be achieved until May 1949. In the meantime, we were in a sort of juridical limbo.

THE APPEARANCE of our name in July 1948 was achieved by a frank manipulation. It was arranged with our closest friends in the Security Council (!) Andrei Gromyko of the USSR and Dmitri Manuilsky of the Ukraine, the incoming chairman, that on an appointed day, the new chairman would call me to the table as "the representative of Israel".

The secretariat would then put a plaque marked "Israel" opposite where we sat. When the expected furore arose at the initiative of hostile members, the chairman would call a vote on the motion for cancelling his ruling.

Although we did not have seven votes for a positive ruling, our opponents did not have seven votes for a

negative one. The name "Israel" stood, as it has ever since. The Palestine Arab representative, Jamal El-Husseini, walked out, leaving the Palestine Arabs unrepresented for the next 26 years.

The Jewish Agency had now receded from its international status.

BY THIS TIME, all the attributes which had given the Agency its quasi-sovereign status were being taken over by the organs of the Israeli government and parliament, and by its diplomatic representatives.

It no longer had anything to do with or say about Israel's foreign policy, its legislative functions or its economic and social direction. The historic personalities who had given it a great resonance in history abandoned its roof; Weizmann to the presidency, Ben-Gurion to the premiership, Silver back to his temple in Cleveland, my colleagues and I to our embassies.

In the next few years, certain functions were to be defined for the Jewish Agency, and these were important enough to be worthy of promotion and development. But they were residual. What had been central now became marginal.

There now ensued an extraordinary process of resolute inertia that contrasted violently with the dynamism of Israel's own first decade. No effort whatever was made to adjust the new realities of power and authority in Jewish life.

The Jewish Agency still called itself, absurdly, by the very same title as that which had been held by an organism totally different from what it had now become. This was semantically exact and confusing. It set an example of imprecision which has been of no service to the Jewish Agency itself.

It is absurd to insinuate that the post-1948 Jewish Agency is seriously related to the body which had represented the Jewish interest be-

fore governments and international agencies, which had determined policies in the international field and directed the economic energies of a large community.

The gap between the name and the reality laid the Agency open to unjust charges for not fulfilling what it could no longer fulfil. It therefore deprived it of the pragmatic image out of which a new dignity could be constructed.

THE FAILURE to adapt Zionist institutions to a revolutionary change in status and functions was a gross error, of which the Zionist movement itself was to become the chief victim. But the State of Israel was also aggrieved by an implication that its sovereignty was not a particularly significant change in the direction of our national history. The State of Israel allowed itself, outrageously, to be put on a par with a voluntary organization of modest scope and limited functions, operating mostly under the laws of foreign lands.

The gap in real authority was now filled by a grotesque obsession with status. It was thought that if the department heads of this honourable but diminished institution pretended that they were equal in status with Israeli ministers, it would be possible to disguise the fact that the sovereign institutions of the Israeli state had inherited the salient areas of authority and prestige.

Not only was the Jewish Agency exposing itself to derision by a transparent misrepresentation of its stature, but the Israeli parliament and government were understated in the symbolic realm by being denied their real predominance.

At the same time, the World Zionist Organization was encouraged to continue acting as though the

Herzl-Weizmann period were still in full flow.

The pretence that worthy ladies and gentlemen elected to the offices of the new Jewish Agency were the lineal descendants of Herzl and Weizmann as leaders of the Jewish people was perpetuated by a name which had outlived its own reality and subjected the bearers to undeserved jocularities.

One reason for the confusing inertia was Ben-Gurion's total refusal to take the slightest interest in the problem. His disappointment at the lack of response by Western Jewry to the concrete opportunities of state-building by personal participation drove him to an attitude of sombre remoteness.

He was persuaded with difficulty to pay two brief visits to the U.S. in the 12 years of his premiership. The very word "Zionism" disappeared from his vocabulary, except for some negative references. (He was in error here, for the deficiencies of the present do not dishonour the past or foreclose the future.)

THE LABOUR PARTY has now done something to atone for its own participation in the decades of illusion by taking the issue seriously for the first time. It made a logical and appropriate choice of its emissary in the form of Simcha Dinitz and refrained from pretentious rhetoric about past eras. That anyone can function in this field without the consent of the Diaspora Jews who have shared this responsibility throughout the years is wildly improbable.

The Labour Party presented four names, not one of whom deserved the patronizing and tactless text in which three of them were dismissed from consideration. This clumsiness would justify a review of the consultative procedures for future occasions. But the reviewing process should be more fundamental and deep-rooted. The nomenclature

should be changed, and functions which could be centralized under the Israeli flag should be fearlessly transferred.

The Zionist establishment would be paying a well-deserved tribute to Israel's sovereignty if it would voluntarily abrogate the absurd "status" provisions which give the impression that Israel's state institutions are not the highest expressions of Jewish nationhood.

In all conditions, there will remain a fruitful field for extra-governmental Zionist activity in an attempt, however despairing, to persuade Jews that Zionism has something to do with living in Israel and planting new generations in its soil.

Moreover, Jews will support Israel only if they continue to be Jews. This requires that a sense of heritage and a concern with preservation of Jewish identity should be a joint Israeli-Diaspora responsibility. The enrichment of Jewish content in the life of Diaspora communities is an Israeli self-interest which should replace unreal slogans of "negating the Diaspora".

The school of thought and action in which Simcha Dinitz has been nurtured has celebrated its best hours through a relentless realism that refuses to disappear from the actual world into nostalgic fantasies or illusions.

Anyone who has read the Israeli press in recent days will be aware that the Jewish Agency faces a terrifying "image" problem. Never in our recent history has a major Jewish institution been assailed with such sharp questions about the sheer necessity of its existence. This alone would justify the replacement of the past regime by a new option of change. This institution should quite simply come down to earth. It is a real chance - and may well be the last. It will encounter much good will in Israel if the chance is seized.

## READERS' LETTERS

### SEXIST STEREOTYPES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, - While I applaud Elscint President Benny Peled for criticizing those Israeli companies that have no motivation or desire to work hard to be independent and profitable because of their "security blanket" (the guaranteed government subsidies they receive), I strongly condemn his sexist organization of "male" and "female" companies.

Ken Schachter's article of November 25 quotes Peled as describing "companies that are profit-making concerns and operate as such" as male companies, while "female" companies are "those designed to make a profit but sit at the margins of the economy."

Remarks like these illustrate why there are so few Israeli women in top or middle management. The prevailing attitude is that women cannot achieve what men can and are fore-

ver destined to be second-class citizens. Men like Mr. Peled perpetuate this myth.

But the real victims are the young women of this country. Constantly subjected to stereotypes and remarks such as Mr. Peled's, and having so few positive female role models in Israel, they are caught in a cruel catch-22. They grow up with low self-esteem and few real prospects of high achievement - not because they lack equal ability, but because the "men" are not man enough to allow them to live up to their full potential.

It would be nice if Mr. Peled, who is at the helm of what is thought to be a modern, state-of-the-art high-tech company, would come out of the dark ages in his attitudes toward women and their role and contributions to modern society.

S. MISSNER

Tel Aviv.

### BOYS TOWN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, - Contrary to Charles Hoffman's statement in his article of November 11, "Not all black and white," Boys Town Jerusalem has never received funds of any kind through Mr. Ze'ev Wolfson, described as "an ultra-Orthodox businessman and philanthropist."

We are proud of our 800 graduates who are currently serving in the regular Israel Defence Forces. One commands an air force squadron, another is commander of a missile ship and a third commands an army base. Another 6,000 graduates regularly serve in the reserves.

General Amos Lapidot, former Air Force Commander, spoke of Boys Town's graduates as "a source of strength to the service."

DAVID AMITITAI,  
Director, Public Relations,  
Boys Town

Jerusalem.

### BETTER FINANCIAL SUPPORT THAN NOTHING

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, - I refer to Shlomo Avineri's article of November 26, "A modest proposal" concerning Zionism and aliyah. In spite of several innovative suggestions, I feel that nothing will change: aliyah will remain the realm of an extremely small minority of Diaspora Jews.

There are several reasons why there is no substantial aliyah of the sort that Professor Avineri desires. Among these are:

The unfortunate irrelevance of the Zionist movement in the everyday lives of most Diaspora Jews.

The evident reluctance of most big-shot Zionist leaders to spend more than a few days a year in Israel - those days being spent in hotels and endless, meaningless meetings.

The gradual, inevitable assimilation of English-speaking Jews.

There are other reasons for a lack of aliyah. The debate will certainly continue endlessly, but nothing will change.

What some Diaspora Jews are willing to do, however, is to send money. May I remind Professor Avineri that two per cent of something is better than zero per cent. One need only remove that two per cent that now goes to help build schools, hospitals and the like to see the impact on our already standard health and education facilities. Israel can barely afford guns, let alone guns and butter.

Most Diaspora Jews, on the other hand, will not send their children here for one year, will not build homes here, will not even visit here. These are lovely ideas, but irrelevant. Aliyah may be preferable to money, but money is all we will get and even that may now come, we understand, with strings attached. It is right and patriotic to want aliyah, but it is also very helpful to be objective and realistic.

RICHARD FOX

Kibbutz Erez.

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The legislation, which was last week passed by the Senate Appropriations Committee, would permit Israel to refinance at considerably lower interest rates in the private financial market in New York about \$5.5 billion in outstanding loans. The key to any such effort, however, would require the U.S. federal government's agreeing to guarantee that Israel would repay 90 per cent of the loans.

But Israeli officials, who have made a major drive to win the debt restructuring, are worried that even if the Inouye-Kasten legislation should finally pass, the Reagan administration would still be in a position to kill it. The language merely extends to the president authorization to approve such a scheme; it does not mandate that he do so.

Baker's letter served as a serious reminder to Israeli officials that he would attempt to block any such effort. He has been a consistent foe of a similar refinancing scheme involving the Rural Electrification Agency, which has supported American farmers.

But other administration officials, including Secretary of State George Shultz and Secretary of Defence Frank Carlucci, are said to be considerably more sympathetic to the Israeli case for debt restructuring.

Thus, final passage of the Inouye-Kasten amendment could set the stage for a serious battle within the Reagan administration.

## WZO CONGRESS

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would indeed opt for unity in the Zionist movement by designating the post of treasurer to the Likud. Unofficially, Likud members threatened an "explosion" at the congress if they were frozen out of the No. 2 post, which Labour had attempted to do in the original pact with its partners.

Drobes faces a virtually certain veto of his candidacy by the fund-raisers, who can exercise this right. Sources close to the fund-raisers said that it was highly unlikely that Drobes would be approved, since he is considered less qualified for the post than Keren Hayesod head Avraham Avihai, who was vetoed in October.

The vote on a bid for the long-vacant presidency of the WZO by outgoing chairman Arye Dulzin was postponed. Dulzin, who faces certain defeat, was offered an honorary position, but declined it.

Labour Zionist leader Yehiel Lekei, who put together the winning coalition, said that "we want the Likud as partners, but they will have to accept that they no longer control a majority in the WZO. They can expect what we had when we were a minority."

The Labour bloc also beat back several noisy Likud attempts to force postponement of the election for chairman. The Likud was apparently trying to hold the election hos-

tage until it could extract a firm commitment from Labour about the distribution of other WZO portfolios, particularly that of treasurer.

The Likud failed to delay the proceedings on a number of technical challenges, which were backed up by angry Likud delegates crowding the podium and climbing on stage. A Likud petition to declare the election illegal was thrown out by the WZO tribunal.

The time spent on these matters and the uproar surrounding the Likud challenge to the elections kept the congress from getting down to its other business.

The noise and confusion during the debate on *hagshama* (Zionist fulfilment through aliyah) was so great that Absorption Minister Ya'acov Tsur stopped his address to the congress and walked out. He said that this was a "shameful spectacle that projected a terrible image of Israel to the Diaspora." If it is how the proceedings are conducted, he said, "perhaps this should be the last Zionist Congress."

A number of Diaspora delegates attending their first congress were dismayed by the poor organization and the constant noise in the hall while speakers addressed the audience.

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Tehilla congratulates the families of members who came on aliyah during the year 5747, and joined the hundreds of families who have come on aliyah since the founding of Tehilla. Here are the families who came on aliyah:

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Brody, Jeff and Adele - S. Africa  
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Berman, Aaron and Suzy - U.S.A.  
Ben Ezra, Aaron and Pessah - U.S.A.  
Broza, David - U.K.  
Berman, David - S. Africa  
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Goldfin, Mendel and Shira - S. Africa  
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Greenstein, Larry - U.S.A.  
Gastrowitz - U.S.A.  
Goren, Meir and Dolores - U.S.A.  
Glaberson, Prof. William and Barbara - U.S.A.  
Griffel, Moshe and Rosalie - U.S.A.  
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Weiss, Elgin and David - U.S.A.  
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Choff, Irvin and Debbie - U.S.A.  
Yaffe, Yonatan, and Susan - U.S.A.  
Schwartz, David and Aviva - U.S.A.  
Chiff, Steve - U.S.A.  
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Rivkin, Prof. Yacov and Stella - U.S.A.  
Shloman, Sandy - U.S.A.  
Shulman, Mordechai and Shira - U.K.  
Shulman, Dr. Kevin and Barbara - U.S.A.  
Schneider, Dr. Claudio - S. America  
Schreiber, Andrew and Suzy - U.S.A.  
Shemel, Eli and Judy - U.S.A.  
Shwartz, Esther and Menahem - U.S.A.  
Shwartzbaum, Dora - U.S.A.



The new immigrant families extend best wishes to delegates to the 31st Zionist Congress, for fruitful deliberations and that they place emphasis on the important, rather than the inconsequential matters. Tehilla, recipient of the 1987 Knesset Speaker's Award, expresses the wish that other organizations and movements will receive this award for their devoted work towards increased aliyah - the lifeblood and the future of the State of Israel.

The last paragraph in the Awards Committee reasoning for the Tehilla award reads: "For its devotion to the mitzvot of aliyah and absorption; its ability to activate thousands of volunteer families in Israel and abroad; expanding its circle of operations across many different lands and continents; its success in increasing immigration from among its members during a period of low ebb in immigration to Israel; for acting as a spur towards principles of volunteerism; for all these, Tehilla has been found to be a worthy and suitable recipient of the Knesset Speaker's Award in the spheres of aliyah and absorption during the year 5747."

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